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Cyprus

Greeks, Turks Tangle

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP)—Blood flowed on Nicosia streets Saturday in the most serious display of animosity between Greek and Turkish Cypriots since Britain freed this Mediterranean island on Aug. 16, 1960.

Two Turkish Cypriots were shot dead and nine persons—seven of Turkish and two of Greek blood—were wounded in two affrays that followed weeks of tension over proposed changes in the country's constitution.

HOURLY LONG

First came an hour-long battle with machine-guns, pistols and rifles that erupted before dawn between a Turkish crowd and a police patrol on narrow streets dividing the Greek and Turkish sectors of the capital.

Among the Turkish Cypriots, a man and a woman were killed and five persons were injured.

Police said the crowd started firing on the patrol. The Turkish leadership charged in a communique the incident was "a consequence of police methods used against the Turkish community."

CLASH WITH STUDENTS

Later, police and Turkish Cypriot students clashed in the main square of the Turkish sector. Seeking to quell a riotous demonstration, the police opened fire. Two Turkish youths were wounded.

The officers said the demonstrators had stoned or shot at Greek cars and buses, though none of the occupants was hit, and stormed the sector's police station in an attempt to raise the Turkish flag. Turkish Cypriot police chased them from the building.

A joint appeal for members of both communities to remain calm was broadcast by the Greek Cypriot president, Archbishop Makarios, and his Turkish vice-president, Dr. Fazil Kutchuk.

Bunnies Bopped Again

HARMONY, N.C. (AP)—They bopped the bunnies here Saturday, cold, wind and the humane society to the contrary.

About 35 persons turned out for the gunless rabbit hunt sponsored by American Legion Post 33 of Harmony.

Saturday's hunt was staged just as in former years. Firearms were banned, in the interest of safety for the hunters, and men and boys tramped the open fields, surrounded rabbits and clubbed them to death with sticks and stones.

E. B. Tutterow, chairman of arrangements, said after the hunt that the post now has enough rabbits, including those taken by conventional means earlier, to stage its charity barbecue early next year.

Africans Spurn Red Plea

MOSCOW (AP)—Defiant African students were reported Saturday to have rejected a Soviet suggestion that they publicly condemn Wednesday's stormy protest march on Red Square.

Informants said about 150 students—called to a special meeting Friday by the rector of Patrice Lumumba University—also refused to de-

nounce Western press reports of the demonstration. Several hundred students from many parts of Africa

stormed to the walls of the Kremlin Wednesday protesting the death of a Ghanaian who they claim had been

murdered by a Russian as a result of racial prejudice. The Russians say the man froze to death, that discrimination does not exist in this country.

The students were said to have told the rector they could not dissociate themselves from the demonstration, since it was an expression of their own feeling.

Leaders Must Go

MOSCOW (UPI)—The Ghanaian embassy said Saturday the African students who organized an anti-Soviet government protest in Red Square last week would have to leave the country.



Faces of a reunited city: tearful but joyful

Reds: We're Human Too

Berlin Visits Fuel for Propaganda Mill

By GEORGE BOULTWOOD

BERLIN (AP)—The Communist propaganda machine is working in top gear to make the most profit from the Christmas visits through the Berlin wall by West Berliners.

The campaign appears to have these main objectives:

- To remove some of the bad odor raised by the building of the wall and shooting of refugees;
- To gain a further measure of recognition from the West of the Communist regime of East Germany;
- To sell the idea that West Berliners and West Germans have something to gain from negotiations with East Germany.

The press of East Germany

is full of editorials, interviews and descriptive stories praising the Red regime for its generosity in letting Berlin families get together for Christmas.

The fact of the wall itself is played down. The wall is described as a "frontier security measure" taken in the interest of peace for all Germans; indeed, the whole world.

Ignored, also, is the fact that the East Berliners are unable to return the visits by going to the West.

Nevertheless the Communists are hammering on the theme: The West can get something by negotiating with us.

They say their proposal for contact between the two German states leading to a con-

ederation has long been on the table. They have offered to "normalize" relations with West Berlin by signing a peace treaty that would eliminate Western rights and make it a "free city."

The Red guards on the wall, hated because they have orders to shoot refugees, have gone out of their way to be polite and helpful. The official East German news agency, ADN, described how a colonel of the East German army helped a crippled old lady from West Berlin through the controls.

The Communist moral: "We're human, too."

The visitors are constantly reminded — by loudspeaker announcements, by conversations and by leaflets handed out at the wall—that they are

visiting "the capital of the German Democratic Republic," not East Berlin.

They are described as "guests" in their own city.

People who have actually gone from one end of the street to the other to see relatives are told they have gone from one country to another. Leaflets handed to visitors blamed the West for making the Berliners wait for their reunions by refusing to negotiate. Then they say: "Negotiations are good and useful. People get something from them."

The East Berlin news agency and papers have produced a flood of interviews with Western visitors expressing gratitude to the Communists for "the finest-ever Christmas gift."

Six Dead, 31 Missing

STORM TOLL MAY HIT 37

HALIFAX (CP)—A saga of tragedy and rescue at sea unfolded Saturday on Canada's Atlantic coast where last count in the aftermath of a brutal wind and snow storm was six men dead, two presumed dead, 29 missing, two vessels sunk, one wrecked and one aground.

Another vessel, missing since Thursday, turned up safely Saturday.

An air and sea search was underway for the 29 crew members of the French freighter Douala that sank in mountainous seas about 35 miles east of Burgeo, Nfld., shortly after noon Saturday. The crew left the ship in two small dories.

STILL ABOARD

Seven crew members still were aboard the Lebanese freighter Corfu Island that ran aground Friday on the Magdalen Islands in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Twenty others of her crew abandoned ship Saturday and were taken ashore at Grindstone. The vessel was hard aground and listing badly.

One bright note was the safe return at Lunenburg, N.S., of the 147-ton scallop dragger Judy and Linda III with 15 men aboard.

TRY TO LAND LINE

Meanwhile, the Foundation Maritime tug Vigilant was continuing attempts to get a line aboard the 4,629-ton Danish freighter Argentina 160 miles southeast of Halifax. The Argentina, with 36 persons aboard, was progressing under her own power but had steering difficulties.

The Vigilant, which put a line aboard the freighter only to have it part, was towing the Argentina to Halifax.

The Nova Scotia trawler Acadia Neptune was headed for Saint John, N.B., after overcoming engine trouble.

UNDER TOW

The navy's auxiliary craft Glenside, which broke a tow line near Halifax Harbor Thursday, was under tow Saturday by the tug Saint John and reported heading for Canso, N.S. The Glenside was unmanned when she drifted away from another towing vessel, the navy tug Riverton.

Six men known dead were crew members of the 175-ton coastal freighter Mary Pauline. They were drowned Friday when their dories were swamped in heavy seas after they abandoned the 124-foot vessel between North Sydney, N.S., and the Newfoundland coast. One other crew member was saved.

Both men presumed dead were crew members aboard the tugliner Ruth Lillian found wrecked Friday on lonely Ellerswood Island off southwestern Nova Scotia. The vessel, out of Westport, N.S., had been fishing in the general area.

Deadly Dream Comes True

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Film producer Guy Trosper's nightmare seemed so terrifyingly real he phoned his physician and told him about it. He said he dreamed he had had a heart attack.

After a brief conversation, Trosper, 52, producer and script-writer of Birdman of Alcatraz, returned to bed.

Next morning, his wife found him dead. Cause of death was listed as a heart attack.

Ontario Liberals

NDP Denies Secret Talks

OTTAWA (CP)—New Democratic Party leader T. C. Douglas Saturday denied a published report that secret "exploratory" talks have been held between Liberal and NDP party officials at the federal and Ontario provincial levels.

He was answering a copy-right report in the Toronto Star which said "shadowy," "exploratory" and "tentative" talks have been held between some NDP officials and a number of federal cabinet ministers.

It said these included Finance Minister Gordon and Labor Minister MacEachern. Also attending, the story said, were Mr. Douglas, Douglas Fisher, NDP whip in the House of Commons; David Lewis, vice-chairman of the NDP; and Keith Davey, the liberal party's national organizer.

The purpose of the talks was to see if both parties could find a common meeting ground, the Star said.

The paper said the participants insisted they were acting as individuals rather than as party officials. It said all were known to have approached the talks with scepticism, but most felt the matter worth quiet exploration.

NO DISCUSSIONS

Mr. Douglas said "there have been no discussions in Ottawa to the best of my knowledge between the Liberals and New Democrats."

"I can say that I have never had any meetings with Liberals to discuss a merger, and that no person has done so on my behalf, or with my authority, or with the authorization of the federal executive."

"I've also talked with Mr. Fisher and Mr. Lewis and they both assure me they have had no such discussions."

U.S. Spy?

Death sentence is possible at forthcoming trial of Ivan Georgiev, 56, former No. 2 Bulgarian at UN, Bulgarian news agency said Saturday he has confessed to spying for U.S.—(AP Photofax)

A Slight Change In Plans

HOUSTON, Texas (AP)—The crewmates of Seaman Bruce Frank, 20, bustling around their big eastern U.S. naval base for days raising money so he could get home to Houston in time to marry his girl before Christmas.

But his story does not have a happy ending.

Frank came home to find his sweetheart Linda Fake, 18, had gone AWOL. When he finally found her, Linda said she had "changed her mind" and married army Sgt. Charles Willis, 19.



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RICHARD HONECK BY THE SEA

64-Year Convict Delighted With the World

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Richard Honeck relished with laughing delight Saturday his first full day of freedom in the 20th century.

Sprightly and articulate after spending 64 of his 84 years in Illinois prisons, Honeck was taken on a tourist's drive to see San Francisco's sights.

"I'm certainly taking it all in and it sure looks good," Honeck said.

Honeck, who went to prison in 1899 for the murder of a schoolteacher, walked out of stone-walled Menard Prison in Illinois on Friday. He flew from St. Louis to San Francisco in a jet airliner to start his new life in the care of his niece, Clara Orth, 62, of nearby San Leandro.

Prison authorities believe Honeck served the longest term in prison of any man now alive in the United States.

Saturday morning he started a drive around San Francisco with Mrs. Orth in a chilly fog.

When he saw the towering Bay Bridge, Honeck exclaimed, "Isn't that some-

thing! I hear it's five miles long! It's so long it's lost way out there in the fog."

The bridge, including approaches, actually is 8½ miles long.

Bright sunshine soon burned away the early-morning fog and Honeck looked at Chinatown, the cable cars, Golden Gate Park, the Cliff House and Seal Rocks, and Fisherman's Wharf.

His reaction was delight and laughter.

He said San Francisco lived up to his expectations. "I've read all about it, and now I'm here really seeing it. I never thought anything like this would happen to me."

A forgotten prisoner, Honeck had been eligible for parole since 1949. The Illinois Parole Board, however, had given little consideration to his release because he had no known living relative — until Mrs. Orth read about his long imprisonment and realized he was her uncle.

She assured the parole board she would care for him if he were freed.

Break-In Tie-Up

High-Level Probe Begun Over Police Suspensions

OTTAWA (UPI) — Two top level Ontario police officials are in Ottawa to probe the suspension of three local police officers because of alleged activities in a recent city break-in.

W. H. Clark, former commissioner of police for Ontario and now chief investigator for the Ontario Police Commission, and Inspector Gordon Smith of the Ontario Provincial Police, arrived in the capital Friday for the investigation.

Ottawa was rocked by the announcement that Detective

Inspector Borden Hobbs, veteran of 33 years with the force, Detective Sgt. Carl Norton and acting detective Tom Beggan had been suspended by Chief Constable Reginald Axcell after an accused man claimed in court he planned a break-in in order that the police could trap two other men.

The accused, Royal Bard, 33, of Aylmer, Que., was sentenced to three years in prison, but Magistrate Joachim Sauve said he would withdraw the sentence if charges against the police were proved.

Russia Pulls Switch On China-UN Issue

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP) — Moscow's apparent switch Saturday in its position on enlarging the UN Security Council comes against the backdrop of an earlier insistence by its UN delegation that the Communist bloc be guaranteed at least one non-permanent seat there.

In a foreign-policy statement distributed by Tass, Moscow proposed talks for enlarging the Council without, at first insisting Red China replace Nationalist China in the UN. The statement said this was possible if Red China stated clearly she had no objection to enlarging the Security Council and the Economic and Social Council before she herself were admitted.

MAJOR SWITCH

This appeared to be a major switch from an earlier Soviet veto threat if the matter of enlargement amendments came up before Red China were admitted.

In a statement circulated here earlier by the Soviet delegation Russia indicated, however, she would insist any reshuffling of council seats prior to enlargement should guarantee Communist countries at least one non-permanent seat on the Security Council. In effect, this would usually give Russia Security-Council backing by a Soviet satellite.

The Eastern European countries were given such a seat in a 1964 gentlemen's agreement allotting non-permanent seats among various regions. But in recent years, outvoted in the council elections held in the General Assembly, they have had to share it with others.



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ALMOST unbelievably the last two weeks would appear to have brought about agreement on the completion of the Columbia River Treaty.

A few days ago the United States, Canada and British Columbia as the three negotiating entities appeared to be poles apart. Those closest to the picture were not optimistic about the outcome of the talks, and the ability to reach the vital decision on financing the treaty dams.

The United States, while keenly anxious to get the work under way, was unable to find a market for the down-stream benefit power at the price British Columbia was demanding.

A continuation of the stalemate which has held up the final ratification of the treaty for nearly two years appeared inevitable.

The full story of what has happened during the negotiations between the two countries and the province of British Columbia has not yet been told, but the inference is that B.C. and its premier have achieved as much and perhaps more than was sought.

The new plan is that U.S. money—\$420,000,000 of it—will be used to build the three treaty dams. The money will be paid on a construction progress basis, and the debt will be assumed completely by the U.S. authorities. It will not be a loan either to Canada or British Columbia.

The amortization of the debt, and the interest upon it, will be paid out of the sale of downstream benefits after the completion of the project.

At no time will Canada, or British Columbia, pay interest on the capital during the construction period, and the province will be the richer by three dams without any addition to its contingent liabilities.

When British Columbia eventually needs to generate power from the treaty dams the water power will come free, and the electricity cost will be confined to the power plants and the transmission system. Some experts have said the price of this power might be as low as one mill—a fantastic figure.

It might at this stage not be inopportune to suggest that unless the British Columbia government had gone along boldly, and against tremendous opposition, to develop the Peace River, the current negotiations on the Columbia would not have turned out anything like so favorably for Canada as they now appear to have done.

The Peace River power development is ample to meet all British Columbia's power requirements for many years to come, and it has removed from this province any need to rush into a hasty or unfavorable deal over the Columbia.

There can be little doubt that Premier Bennett's shrewd, if controversial, strategy is going to pay a handsome dividend.

Sharing the Costs

MAKING a case for federal government participation in British Columbia arterial highway costs, not for the Trans-Canada Highway alone but for the building of all main roads, Mr. Gagliardi has succeeded in impressing Prime Minister Pearson, apparently. Or so the highways minister believes.

He says he amazed Mr. Pearson with the information that this province's highways cost eight or nine times as much per capita as those in Ontario. Mr. Gagliardi sees this no doubt as reasonable enough ground for some sort of "equalization," akin to the redistribution of income tax revenue, even if B.C. can't claim to be a poor province in the usual sense of the word.

A concomitant part of Mr. Gagliardi's claim on the federal purse, though, surely must be that major routes in the provinces in addition to the Trans-Canada Highway are of national concern. And so they are. Without them the economy and convenience of the whole country would suffer.

But one must wonder, if this is Mr. Gagliardi's line of thought and if he should succeed through further negotiations in convincing Ottawa of its soundness, whether the same damn would not have to break in the B.C. government's collective mind regarding the building and maintenance of highways, main and secondary, in cities. These it currently regards as the almost total responsibility of local taxpayers.

If there is cause for the federal government to help British Columbia build arterial roads, is there not equal reason for the province to treat its cities likewise?

Party Dominance

THE rush of the Commons to wind up its session so that MPs could get home for Christmas is typical of the way Parliament does its business. So much time is taken up with partisan tactics and acrimonious debate that when the closing hour draws near legislation is crammed through helter-skelter.

This is one reason why so many amendments have to be made to the statute books.

The situation at Ottawa is similar to that which takes place annually at James Bay, when towards the end of a session members find they have devoted so many days to politicking there is not enough time left for proper scrutiny of important legislation.

No business organization would conduct its affairs in this manner, yet governance is the biggest business of all. But the kind of program planning by which large-scale industrial enterprise spaces its operations is sadly lacking at the seats of government.

Perhaps Mr. Pearson has been too anxious to justify the "sixty days of decision" he promised and so has presented Parliament with more than it was able to handle efficiently during its seven-month sitting. This added to the dictum of more haste less speed.

Yet blame for this unsatisfactory manner of closing out a session must be apportioned among all parties and members. If less attention were paid to scoring political points and making party capital out of debates, and more to the merits of the matters in hand, Parliament would function much better and to the weal of the nation at large.

It is the extreme partisanship which now prevails that is the disturbing factor of political affairs, including as it does almost automatic dissent by one Commons group from anything cited or proposed by another.

And it is the lengths to which this partisanship goes that in the main throws the legislative program out of gear and results in a closing scramble not conducive to sound practice. The country could do with less of the party viewpoint which is so dominant in political affairs.

Thinking Aloud

"... of shoes, and ships,
and scaling wax ..."

By TOM TAYLOR

WE are all by now enveloped in the Yuletide atmosphere, and the present is a season of many parts. The clasp of the goodwill hand, the exchange of card greetings and gifts, the turkeys—already consumed or in prospect—the puddings, the decorations.

And the Christmas carols, old yet ever new.

The carols I think are among the loveliest of the Christmas gifts, when heard or sung before raucous repetition robs them of their spiritual blessing.

They sublimate the inner self and cause it to reach out to the fount of the Christian celebration.

It is difficult for yours truly, for instance, when listening to the words of "O Little Town of Bethlehem," not to be mentally transported to the places wherein Christ walked and from whence came the inspiration that is at the heart of our Yuletide festivities.

Not that this writer ever visited Bethlehem, which he now regrets, but he perforce journeyed in the Holy Land in the long ago, and the shepherds and holy night of Christendom's faith seem to draw close when carols are played.

And I am sure that irrespective of personal travel association they find an echo in most hearts.

This was manifest the other day when at the Rotary Club's annual Christmas luncheon the members displayed unaccustomed vocal virtuosity when it came to the carol section of the program. As a member I am not any more forthcoming than my neighbors when it comes to singing in concert, but I must say these graceful stirrings of the Christmas season received fine recognition on this occasion.

Undoubtedly this would be due to the ladies present. Twice a year the stag door of Rotary is opened to permit the attendance of Rotary wives and other relevant relatives, and the Christmas luncheon is one of these highlights. The example of the better half becomes catching, and one cannot deny that mildy sings more easily in instances of such nature—and more felicitously also. I must admit—than do men alone in mass by themselves.

Then it is that a shyness not noticeably marked in the other demands of vocal expression laid upon them, becomes strangely apparent.

But this Christmas at least local Rotarians gave strong voice and feeling to the carols. Christmas of course is both a spiritual and secular festival, and the latter fact also has its traditional role when people gather in Yuletide mood. Hence the other contributions to Rotary weal which enlivened the luncheon apart from the table feast itself.

There was for example the splendid voice of that local musical artist, Mrs. Adele Lewis, who charmed her listeners with three offerings beautifully sung and received with acclaim; and there were the turkeys.

I do not mean those served under the auspices of the maitre d'hotel, to which ample justice was pleasurably done, but the turkey draw. Rotarians are like their fellows when the Yuletide customs are in force; they hope their numbers come up so they can carry home one of these delectable culinary adornments.

Unfortunately I can't report that I was one of the favored. Following the fashion of my neighbors I spread my ticket numbers in front of me, but alas their duplicates must have stayed put at the bottom of the barrel.

There is always another year, however.

And as on last week this annual Rotary gathering will again hearken to the words of Dean Whitlow as he conjoints the secular to the spiritual content of Christmas. By an eloquent grace appreciated by his fellow Rotarians he manages always to harmonize good fellowship and lively mien with the deeper impact that the true message of Christmas has.

His words on this occasion were those which convey the richness and quality reflected in the Christmas carols, the songs which invite our reverence when we sing them in the spirit that alone warrants their rendition.

Useless Gifts

Quite a Feat

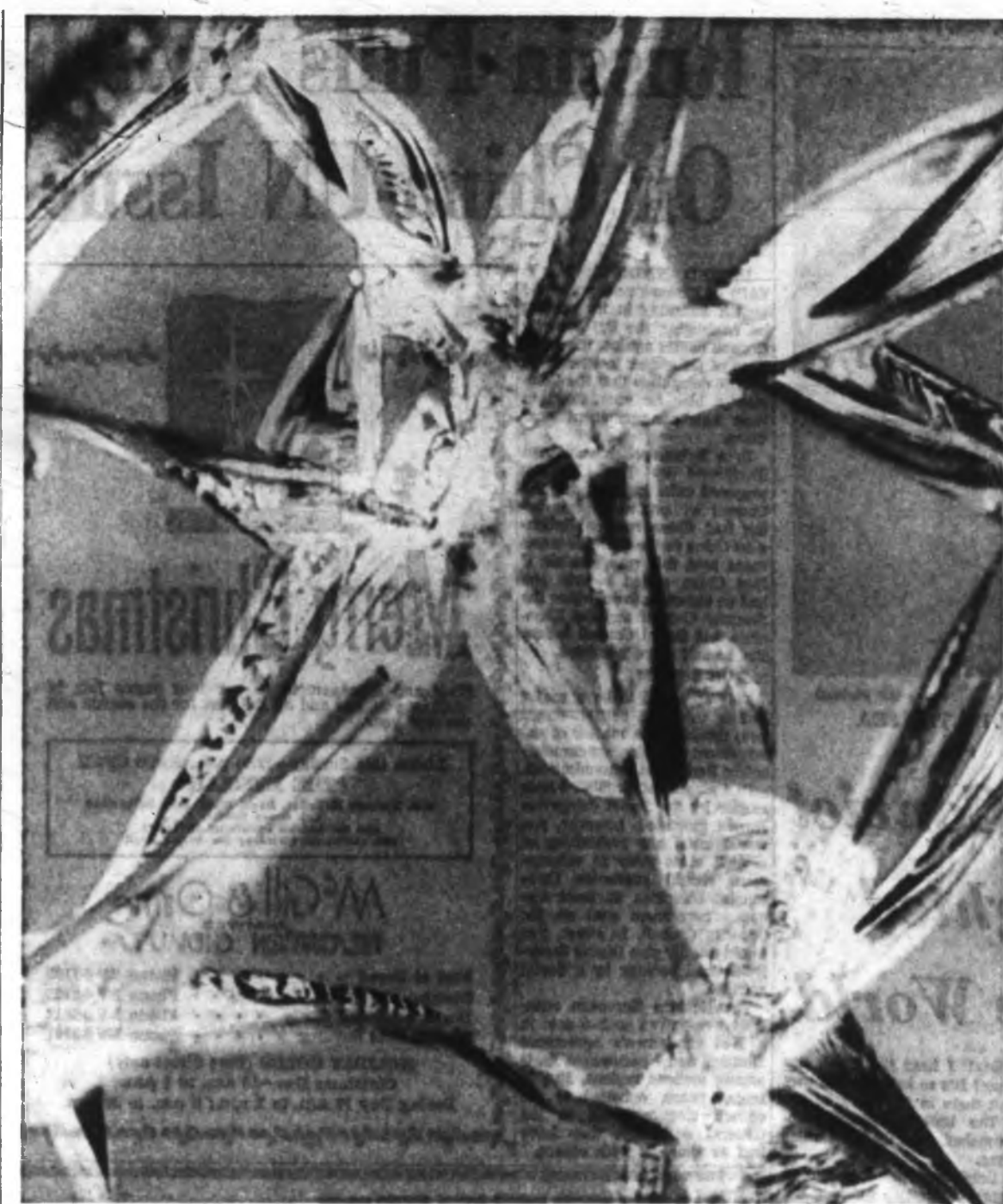
From The Ottawa Journal

THE latest fad in Christmas giving is the useless gift. In a way this is not new. But the difference is that today's useless gift is meant to be useless.

One of the leading useless gifts is now in its second year of success. It is the "something box," a box studded with little lights that blink on and off at random for a year and then stop forever. But there are others like the mechanical para-

keet with a tape recorder for innards. It repeats whatever is said to it and when it does its eyes turn red and light up.

Designing these things must be a rewarding career. It would be no small feat to create something for which nobody could find a use. For the thing must be absolutely useless. Else as a useless gift it would be useless. The designer who succeeds must go home from work with a comfortable sense of a job well undone.



Safety Glass Fracture.

Traffic Gem

Photograph by T. T. Jones.

The New India

Bringing Down the Barriers

By ASHWINI KUMARI from Bombay
(First of two articles)

A PARSII, who is 96, has sat at the same window of a "house of charity" below Bombay's aristocratic Malabar Hill for the past 35 years. He last took a stroll on the day the Second World War ended. He has not read a newspaper for 10 years.

Except for three or four modest new buildings, the street surveyed by white-bearded Kaikobad since 1928 has not changed. But in these years of infirmity, poverty and isolation, the old man says he has glimpsed much change in India.

From his small, low window he has seen, for example, the arrival of red double-decker buses, the smoke of new factory chimneys, Gandhi's followers being baton-charged and taken away in truck cages. Hindu-Muslim riots, veiled and barefoot women shedding their shackles, a Harijan ("Untouchable") walking arm-in-arm with a high-caste Brahmin, an ex-maharajah repairing his broken-down car—a whole significant vista of promising and pain-ridden progress.

Up in New Delhi, the centre of government, if only Kaikobad could find the money and strength in his old body to go there, he would get a mighty infusion of nourishing statistics. Outside the Soviet Union and China there is perhaps no country in the world where achievement and change are spelled out so hopefully in figures.

Kaikobad's glimpses and the planning commission's cold claims are both indispensable for a guide to what this country of 440,000,000 people, the world's most populous democracy was, is, and aspires to be.

A century-and-a-half of colonial rule, however enlightened and liberal it was, weakened the average Indian's self-confidence. It was not only "diehards" in the British Conservative party who had misgivings about the ability of the people to govern themselves. As the national tricolor went up the mast of the viceregal mansion in New Delhi on Aug. 15, 1947, many patriotic Indians wondered whether the price paid for freedom had been impressive enough. School texts tell pupils: "After a long struggle under the leadership of Mahatma Gandhi, the coun-

try got its independence from the British." The non-violent nature of the anti-colonial movement gave independence a rather unreal look.

What has helped to restore self-confidence is that in the past 16 years Indians have demonstrated to the outside world and to their own muffled ego, that if freedom could be won peacefully, it could also be given economic and social content without violence and disruption. In a way, the story of free India is the story of a continuing right against all the pre-freedom misgivings and doubts.

The integration of Indian society was the biggest problem for the nationalists. Even Gandhi and Nehru, despite their crusading idealism, had their moments of dismay when they thought of the massive problems of poverty, illiteracy, religious, communal, and caste divisions, linguistic rivalries, regional antagonisms and the pull of diverse economic vested interests. Speaking from the ramparts of the historic Red Fort in Delhi on the first anniversary of Independence in 1948 Nehru candidly stated: "Before we think of five-year plans we must first come closer as a people."

This sentiment was later enshrined in the Directive Principles of the country's republican Constitution. Their translation into reality has been with challenges.

When independence came, most of India's 50 million Muslims were stricken with panic. Only those Muslims who were rich, or who lived in states bordering Pakistan, managed to get to the promised land. The assassination of Gandhi

further orphaned the minorities. Nehru has succeeded in bringing them into the mainstream of Indian progress.

An occasional Hindu-Muslim clash still occurs in the remote towns, but tension between the two major communities has almost ceased to exist. Even the Hindu Maha Sabha (from whose ranks Gandhi's assassin came) and the Hindu Jana Sangh claim to support secularism, though they do not agree with Nehru's version of it.

There are today more Muslims in the government services, including the army, in Parliament and in the state legislatures and in the village councils, which were once the seats of rural communalism. The big business houses in Calcutta and Bombay are employing more Muslim youths, even in executive positions. In the nationalized empire of the Life Insurance Corporation a 15 per cent increase in Muslim employees has been reported.

Hindus are aware that secularism will be a hollow ideal if discrimination against Muslims persists. Recently, a Muslim weekly newspaper accused the Rajasthan state government of "boycooting" Muslims, claiming that of 365 top officials only five were Muslims. Many leading Indian newspapers, including the Hindu-owned Times of India denounced the provincial authorities.

The desegregation of the country's 64 million "untouchables"—every seventh Indian is a Harijan—is proving tractable. In Gandhi's days anti-integrationists poured public scorn on the Mahatma for backing the Harijans and liv-

ing in their colonies. Today all the country's 3,500,000 Hindu temples admit Harijan worshippers, Brahmin and Harijan children sit together in village schools. The president of the ruling Congress party is a Harijan.

Every year Indian political parties go into orgies of self-condemnation for a week of intensified Harijan integration drives. Recently, 5,000 people attended an inter-caste dinner in Madras, the citadel of Brahmin orthodoxy. Unlike the American politician in the U.S. South, no Indian politician can hope to survive if he criticizes Harijan desegregation.

Harijan-Brahmin or Hindu-Muslim marriages are still rare. A government project to subsidize inter-caste weddings has met with poor response. But those who dare are not ostracized.

Along with the religious rift another daunting prospect for free India's founding fathers was the linguistic scene. The multiplicity of languages—estimates have varied from 35 to 2,678 languages—was a main prop of pre-independence pessimists, especially foreigners.

Industrialism, the spread of education and the growth of communications have arrested the growth of what Indian politicians call "fissiparous" tendencies. Here, the government's policy of dividing the states on linguistic lines turned out to be a major blunder. The diversity and extent of provincial loyalties was not known as clearly and grimly as it became evident after the 1955-56 redrawing of the states' administrative boundaries.

Almost as many Indians died in the 1955-57 language riots as during the freedom struggle.

The linguistic passions have largely subsided. A large-scale revival is held to be unlikely but they are not yet conquered. The fact that 13 years after independence the government and the major parties had to set up a "national integration committee" and organize seminars shows that the challenge is by no means over.

A fundamental question that has to be answered in surveying the changing India is: How far does an Indian from the sunny shores of Kerala in the far south feel the kinship of a common nationhood with his counterpart from the Himalayan hills of Assam in the northeast?

The answer has still to be a qualified, though increasingly hopeful, one. Four decades of patriotic struggle and a decade and a half of nation-building efforts have shaken the psychological walls between Indian and Indian. In places the walls have been pulled down. But in places they still remain as a challenge and a warning.

It is here that India's economic struggle also becomes its social crusade.

(To be continued)

Time Capsule

Motor Thieves

From Colonist Files
A COLUMN of more than 200 persons including church ministers and CCF parliamentarians paraded through Vancouver streets with banners protesting shipment of scrap metal to Japan or Fascist countries, 25 years ago.

Among the marchers were Grant MacNeil, M.P.; Mrs. Dorothy Steeves, M.L.A.; Rev. W. A. Cameron, Rev. G. B. Switzer and Rev. R. J. McIntyre.

Thirty-four homes in Greater Victoria had entered the Junior Chamber of Commerce Christmas lighting contest. Three brilliantly illuminated Wise Men mounted on camels and following the Star of Bethlehem won the grand prize for C. E. Blaney Jr., of 678 Dallas Road.

The precursors of today's so-called "joyriders" had appeared on the community scene, 50 years ago.

"Motor car thieves within the past few days have been operating in the city, and their boldness is indicated by the fact that they even purloined a car standing in front of the residence of Magistrate Jay while the owner, Mr. H. Schwengers, was inside the house . . .

"On the same evening the motor owned by Mr. J. Herrick McGregor was stolen from in front of the Union Club, where it was left by the owner. The latter was recovered last night on Rockland Avenue. Mr. Schwengers' car number is 2530."

Under the heading, "Christmas Meats. The Display at the Various Markets," the Colonist was full of enthusiasm about Victoria's supply of beef, mutton, poultry and game, 75 years ago.

At the Queen's Market, "hundreds of handsomely dressed sheep are hanging in rows, with fine specimens of veal, grinning porkers, and saddles of mutton, artistically decorated. Geese and turkeys are hanging around by the hundred, and all are set off with holly sprigs and berries and artificial flowers . . ."

At the Island Market, the "decorative works on the carcasses were really marvels. Prof. Marks having . . . outdone all previous efforts at designing. A central feature was the dressed carcass of a bullock, which weighed 1,400 pounds. Chickens, geese and turkeys were there in abundance, and all plump and tempting."

Practically no attention was given in the close approach of Christmas in the Colonist 100 years ago, only three or four merchants noting in their advertisements that their goods included articles suitable for presents.

By the bark N. S. Perkins news came to Victoria of the death of King Kamehameha IV of the Hawaiian Islands and the succession of his elder brother, Prince Lot, to the throne.

"The new King is . . . 33 years of age. About two years ago he visited this city and will be remembered by many of our citizens," the Colonist noted.

Bet Your Life

Long Odds

From The News, Powell River

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It happened while he was driving to work one day. He was late and hurrying. The traffic light was amber . . . he raced it, and lost . . . to a truck.

That's where the long odds came in. He earned \$2.50 an hour — \$5,000 a year. That minute he gambled that the amber light was worth four cents of his pay. But at age 35, he could reasonably expect to work another 30 years before retiring at 65. The amount he would earn would total \$150,000.

Motorists like this man, we'll just call him Joe, risk a lifetime every day in order to gain a few seconds. No one sits down at a card game and battles these terrific odds, but many thousands do it every day when they sit down behind the wheel of their automobile.

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Our Readers' Views

To be considered for publication in whole or in part, letters must be on subjects of general interest, not more than 200 words in length, and, if signed with a pseudonym, must be accompanied by the writer's name and address.

Ashamed

The article in the Colonist re Chief Albany of the local Indian reserve makes me very ashamed that a native Indian must leave his own country to make a living, while the men in Ottawa, with a stroke of a pen, help themselves to an extra \$8,000 a year. For what?

Their pleading voices during electioneering supposedly in behalf of ALL Canadians make one very weary, for their actions speak so loud in their own interest one cannot hear what they say.

ELIZABETH HORDEN,
1250 Oakmount Road.

Rural Protection

WITH regard to mink W farming, what protection may people living in an unorganized district expect to receive from the "powers to be" against indiscriminate allowing mink farmers to purchase property right in the midst of a settled rural area? Apparently the method used by seller and buyer is to keep the transaction a secret in order that those in the vicinity of the proposed mink farm are in total ignorance until the transaction has gone through. Surely on this Vancouver Island there is suitable large acreage that may be used for so important an industry as mink farming. These mink ranches are gradually creeping into rural areas and tend to drive away many people who are desirous of living in the country for various reasons, one of these being for sweet fresh air. Where there is a mink farm one gets an odor in a class of its own.

We are living in the hope of getting some action from our town planning board in the very near future.

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Hole in Wall Presages End of Berlin Problem?

By JOSEPH MACSWEEEN
From London

The Christmas arrangements in Berlin have raised soaring hopes for bigger things to come.

In the current atmosphere of East-West accord, the Communist hands-across-the-wall gesture has led to speculation that even envisages the beginning of the end of the German problem.

The speculation follows President Johnson's call for an end to the cold war. It also follows

newspaper stories stating that the late President Kennedy and Premier Khrushchev were closer to broad agreement on some basic issues, including possibly Germany, than ordinary folk dared hope.

Lord Beaverbrook's London Evening Standard carries an analysis of the development in which West Berliners are being allowed into East Berlin for the first time since August, 1961. It predicts spectacular developments may follow and concludes:

"Generally speaking, the target is a confederation of East and West Germany with Berlin as a free city under United Nations control."

This is certainly a vivid contrast with the grim and seemingly hopeless days of the Berlin blockade in 1949 and even with the tense period five years ago when Khrushchev delivered his notorious Berlin ultimatum.

Under the ultimatum, the Western allies were to quit West Berlin, which was to become a

de-militarized and neutral free city—a procedure that in the Western view would have meant abandoning the city, embedded deep in Communist territory.

Khrushchev has not mentioned the so-called ultimatum for a long time, nor has he renewed lately his threat to sign a separate peace treaty with East Germany.

The Berlin wall, which seemed so incredible when construction began in 1961, becomes ever more grotesque in the current period of relaxation when not

only the Soviet Union but its other satellite countries appear drawing closer to the West, holding trade negotiations and admitting visitors.

The East Berlin regime learned with chagrin that its citizens were travelling to Communist Poland to rendezvous and hold reunions with West Berlin relatives and friends.

On the other side, there is evidence that the Bonn government under Chancellor Ludwig Erhard is quietly taking a significantly different attitude towards

East Germany from that maintained for 15 years by the former chancellor, Konrad Adenauer.

Bonn recently has been willing to hold official political talks with East German authorities, going beyond Adenauer's limit of purely technical discussions.

Some observers believe this will open the way to new negotiations at the highest level. They hope for developments after Erhard visits Johnson in the new year.

Canadian Press

Too Few Police, Too Many Cars

Only Metro Police Force Can Solve Traffic Woes

By IAN STREET

There's a recurring theme underlying most debates at the local government level in this balkanized community of ours. It applies to such diverse topics as new city hall accommodation for Victoria, and traffic law enforcement.

Amalgamation is seldom talked about these days, but it's a pretty safe bet that the subject is never far from the minds of council members and officials in the four municipalities.

Here's an instance that happened only last Friday.

Victoria branch of the B.C. Automobile Association wrote to city police commission pointing out that the number of vehicles has more than doubled in the past 15 years and accidents have increased 100 per cent.

The association, noting that the number of men assigned to the city police traffic division in 1948 hasn't been increased since that time, asked for more traffic officers to be put on the streets.

The theory is, of course, that the mere sight of a uniform makes drivers check their speedometers and exercise more care.

The traffic division, which undoubtedly is short-staffed, with 22 men including an inspector and two sergeants, submitted an accompanying report to the commission requesting a minimum of six additional constables for the traffic law enforcement squad.

It pointed out that during the 19-hour period from 7 a.m. to 2 a.m. usually there are only three constables assigned to patrol enforcement.

Often this number is barely sufficient to check out complaints of infractions and general traffic enforcement is passed up completely.

Why then was the request for six additional traffic officers greeted with so little enthusiasm by the commission? Partly, it is a matter of timing; when the 1964 budget is drawn up next April it's likely that three or four new men will be assigned to traffic duty.

It goes much deeper, however.

Victoria knows that much of the traffic on its streets originates in other municipalities and so, of course, a considerable number of the more than 1,500 accidents a year involve outsiders' cars.

The large shopping centres downtown and at Mayfair generate traffic. Short of building a Berlin-type wall there's no way of keeping these cars out, and in actual fact city council, encouraged by the merchants, is doing everything in its power to attract more cars and people.

But this doesn't prevent Victoria representatives sticking to an irrational belief that city taxpayers are required to support what is, in effect, a metro traffic division.

They argue that even on the heavily-travelled Patricia Bay highway, particularly since Saanich police moved from Royal Oak to their new headquarters at Swan Lake, a squad car is seldom in evidence.

The solution to this and other problems, as former RCMP superintendent George Archer pointed out, lies in creation of a metro police force.

That may be only a couple of years off. But what happens in the meantime? Is the city to be big-hearted and pay up to meet the needs of the whole area or does it compromise and provide some help for the hard-pressed traffic division?

It looks for the moment like the latter choice.

BCAA gave no indication in its letter whether similar requests had gone out to other police commissions in the area. Let's hope so, because the problem isn't the city's alone.

Quote!

I do not take much comfort from that schism in the Communist forces when the chief issue between them seems only to be the speed and manner with which the rest of the world should be over- come.—John J. McCloy, chairman of the Ford Foundation.



CITY HALL COMMENT

Case for Ombudsman Strong Sure There Are Laws But Who Knows Them?

By TERRY HAMMOND

B.C.'s Social Credit government has never been noted for its adherence to the policies espoused from time to time by the party's grassroots element, and in most cases this is probably just as well.

Some of these policies were pretty far out. There was the one which said civil service appointments within a constituency should be made by the sitting Social Credit member or, where the party lost, by the defeated Social Credit candidate. There was the one which called on the government to provide Highway Minister Gagliardi with a helicopter so he could avoid brushes with the highway patrol and another to outlaw fluoridation.

For this year's Social Credit League convention the lunatic fringe (all parties have one) either stayed home or was effectively muzzled.

The convention's resolutions had, as an official expressed it to me, "a bit more class than usual" and among them, as we all know by now, was the one which asked the government to create an ombudsman.

For anybody who came in late an ombudsman is a government appointee with wide investigative powers as far as government operations are concerned and his role is to re-

ceive and adjudicate public complaints relating to government actions.

Government reaction to the proposal was something less than lukewarm. Attorney-General Robert Bonner fielded the ball for the Social administration.

He expressed the view that B.C.'s 52 MLAs are ombudsmen and he cautioned against meddling with the British parliamentary system.

While it is true that in a fine legalistic way it could be argued that MLAs have most of the powers which an ombudsman enjoys in the Scandinavian countries where the concept is practiced, it is also true that one of the main reasons for making such an appointment is to protect the public from fine, legalistic interpretations which reflect the law but show little regard for justice and mercy.

To fulfill the ombudsman role an MLA would have to fulfill an ombudsman's qualifications. Some of these qualifications are political impartiality, a thorough knowledge of law, patience, a complete understanding of the workings of government, a social conscience and a formidable degree of common sense.

Many of our 52 MLAs can boast a few of these attributes and a few can boast many, but I submit that none can, in fact, claim them all.

If society consisted solely of experts on constitutional law then society might effectively use its MLAs to right the wrongs of government.

But society, alas, contains many people who don't know what constitutional law is and who can't even express themselves well in the English language. They know when they feel they are being treated unjustly but they don't know what to do about it.

The erudite and highly articulate Mr. Bonner can undoubtedly prove that lurking within the dark recesses of the statute books are all kinds of most commendable protective measures for the public, but what earthly good are they if a segment of the population is totally unaware of their existence and unlikely ever to discover them.

The ombudsman concept is not necessarily designed to fulfill a brand new function in government. One of its primary aims is to provide a simple form of recourse to individuals who are being denied a fair hearing because they don't know how to obtain one.

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BACKGROUND

Years Fail to Change Dislike of 'Huns'

By STERLING SLAPPEY
From Bonn

Whenever Western diplomats go to the conference table on matters of importance to the Atlantic Alliance, they must keep in mind an unhappy but significant factor. This is the very real dislike that Britons harbor for Germans, still commonly referred to in Britain as Bosche or Huns.

Both the British and the Germans are aware of this sorry relationship and they recognize its importance. But other Westerners sometimes do not.

They should, for both Britain and Germany are vital to the alliance. Since Charles de Gaulle set France on the dangerous road to nationalism five years ago Britain and Germany have become Washington's two strongest allies.

The British people's unwillingness to forgive Germany for two destructive world wars sometimes shows signs of abating—and this appears to be the case now—but almost invariably something comes up to renew the old feelings of dislike and distrust.

The situation took a decided turn for the better this fall when Konrad Adenauer resigned as chancellor in Bonn and Harold Macmillan stepped out as Britain's prime minister. It was no secret that these two old gentlemen cordially disliked each other.

But this positive factor is unquestionably outweighed by the negatives, and among the latter the most telling is what

Britons regard as German responsibility for the great wars of 1914 and 1939.

Moreover, the Briton is not allowed to forget Germany's past. British newspaper correspondents in Germany keep an eye peeled for anti-German stories. And in London at least one paper, the Daily Express, hammers constantly at the anti-German line.

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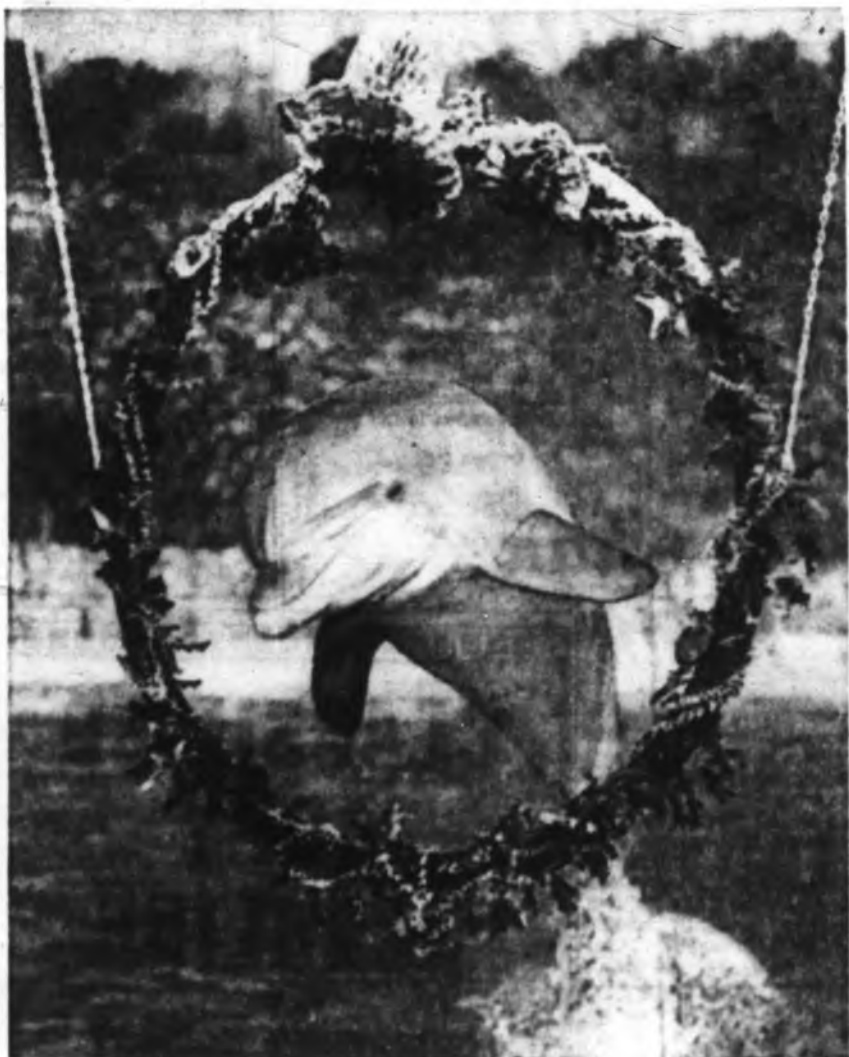
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Wreathed in Smiles

Christmas greetings from Marineland of the Pacific in Los Angeles are expressed by bottle-nosed dolphin named Splash which leaps through fire hoop at huge oceanarium. Trainers replaced fire with holly, berries, mistletoe and Christmas bells.—(AP Photofax)

Lawyer Not Told

Court Action Possible If Parolee Had Known

VANCOUVER (CP)—Ray Perrault, British Columbia Liberal leader, said Friday if the justice department had informed John Wasylenchuk's lawyer it had rejected a plea for delay in extradition he could have started court proceedings.

Centennial Plan Slated In New Year

B.C. municipalities can look forward to an official start on their Centennial projects. Deputy provincial secretary L. J. Wallace announced that early in the New Year municipalities will be asked to appoint local centennial committees to plan for the celebration of Canada's centenary in 1967.

WAIT UNTIL ASKED

But names shouldn't be submitted to Victoria until requested.

Local committees will be responsible for planning local celebrations and memorial projects, perhaps in co-operation with neighboring local governments.

GRANTS LATER

Grants in aid from senior governments will be made later.

Mr. Wallace advised that "strong and capable" people be named as chairmen.

The chairman need not be a member of the local council but he should have full support of the council, and at least one member of the council should be on the committee to act as liaison.

"If Dohm had known that the points raised questioning the legality of the extradition had been rejected, he would have started proceedings in court for a writ of prohibition," Wasylenchuk was picked up by United States authorities Wednesday and taken to Seattle where he was arraigned on charges of robbery and murder in connection with a 1954 bank holdup.

He had lost two bids to halt extradition and Mr. Dohm had sought a delay in handing him over to American authorities while a legal point was checked.

Wasylenchuk was on parole from a life sentence handed him in 1955 for bank robbery. Dohm said a parolee cannot be extradited.

Mr. Perrault said many persons are troubled about the "extraordinary haste with which Wasylenchuk was hustled out of the country after Chevrier's warrant was executed."

"The fact that the justice department didn't inform anyone of their final decision—I don't suggest it was intentional—frustrated efforts of his counsel to exhaust the last recourse available under Canadian law."

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'Holy Summit' Set

Pope May Meet Greek Orthodox Leader

JERUSALEM, Jordan (UPI)—The apostolic delegate in Jerusalem, Msgr. Linzo Zanolini, Saturday disclosed first official details of Pope Paul's pilgrimage to the Holy Land Jan. 4-6.

The schedule followed previous unofficial speculation, but it was noted that despite the relative swiftness of the papal program time is allowed for a possible "holy summit" meeting with Archbishop Athenagoras, Patriarch of the Greek Orthodox Church, if he comes to Jerusalem.

Pope Paul will leave Rome Saturday, Jan. 4, and fly non-stop to Amman, the Jordanian capital. He will be met by King Hussein.

There will be a pause at the airport for greetings and a private talk between the pontiff and Jordan's youthful king. Then they will ride in a motorcade through Amman and Pope Paul will continue on the more than 50 miles to Jerusalem. In Jerusalem he will go immediately to the two-storey apostolic legation for lunch and a brief rest.

At 4 p.m. the papal party will drive to the Damascus gate where the pontiff will leave his car and walk on foot into the old city. Here, the narrow, ancient streets normally are jammed elbow to elbow with shoppers, hawk-

ers and sightseers but on this occasion the streets will be cleared.

Still on foot the pope will proceed to the Via Dolorosa—Way of the Cross—and will follow the route Christ trod on the way to Calvary, from the third to the eighth stations. Then the procession will enter Christian Street and go to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. The entire walk is little more than half a mile.

Pope Paul will say a mass and pray over the tomb of Jesus. Then the pontiff leaves the old city through the "dung gate" through which in olden times refuse was carried out of Jerusalem.

South Vietnamese Score in Ambush

SAIGON, South Viet Nam (UPI)—The South Vietnamese army inflicted heavy losses Saturday on a Communist Viet Cong unit in what was believed to be the first Communist-style night-time ambush staged by government troops.

The Communists have been the masters of the night-time ambush in the strange and dirty little war through South Viet Nam's jungles and swamps but until Saturday American military advisers had been unable to convince the South Vietnamese of the value of this strategy.

The ambush was planned and executed in flawless fashion and an American military spokesman said 20 to 30 guerrillas were killed and three captured and the government lost only two wounded.

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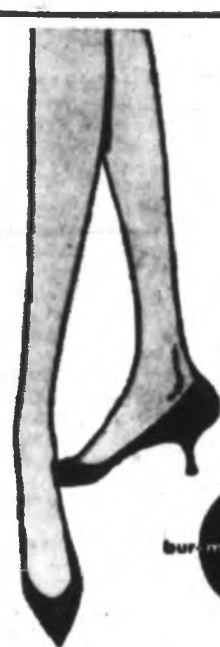
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Austin Ignores Its Most Famous Son

Nothing Much to See Around LBJ Ranch

By CYRIL DUNN

AUSTIN, Texas (OFNS)—When the LBJ ranch beside the Pedernales River 50 miles from here becomes fully operational as America's second White House, it may help to repair some of the damage Dallas has done to Texas.

For people drawn to President Lyndon Johnson's country home from all over the world—as in Kennedy's day they were drawn to Hyannis Port and to Palm Beach, Florida—will find themselves in a country quite different from that super American Texas far away in the north.

It is not one of the better-known facts about Texas that Austin is capital of the state and the seat of her chief university. Gracefully arranged on a hillside flanking the Colorado River, the city seems wholly withdrawn from the turbulence and vitality over which it formally presides.

Coming here direct from Dallas, one soon is made aware of the difference. Dallas is energetic, loud, boastful and rich, quick to identify and seize the slightest material advantage. Dallas is western, a

city of financial cowboys still pushing out the frontier of American affluence.

Austin is by contrast a southern city, a surviving repository of southern taste, gentility, class consciousness and poverty. It seems to be reacting slowly, if not with actual indifference, to the profitable turn events have taken.

As a result, foreign diplomats touching down at Austin on their way to the Johnson ranch, and bringing their preconceptions with them, should get a barely credible first impression of Texas. The airport building is one of the world's best, as light and as beautiful as a bird.

The city's oldest and most dignified hotel, where important foreigners are likely to stay, reproduces within itself the eerie grandeur of the old south.

Black Men in Livery

The public rooms have soaring white pillars, are hung with family portraits of famous Texans and have crimson carpets, dimly lit, where Civil War ghosts readily are imagined. We were waited on by a kind of dandy, by elderly black men in exotic livery, the obvious descendants of favored slaves.

The sloping lawns of the Capitol are weighty with monuments implying that the Civil War was unfairly won and settled nothing. Disregarding the reaction of strangers as Dallas would never dream of doing, Austin proclaims as the first aim of its charity this Christmas the provision of shoes for local white children who still go barefoot.

There is no obvious sign that Austin knows a citizen of neighboring Blanco County has lately taken over as President of the United States.

The highway leading to the LBJ ranch runs through a kind of bush country which supports notable herds of Angus and Hereford cattle but which in this dry season look re-

markably like the worthless wilderness in parts of Southern Africa.

The roadside crop of public utility posters is relatively sparse and sometimes hopeless. A small and willing placard, badly weather worn, says "Welcome." After several miles of nothing whatever, another says "Hurry Back."

But there are no signboards guiding strangers to the LBJ ranch. One can get an idea of the general direction because \$2,500,000 worth of new commodities are now being thrown up with frantic haste to link the President with Austin and the world.

At the ranch gates there are red warnings that say restricted area and the man we had to make contact with was a secret service agent. The driver I hired in Austin had nervously brought along his honorable discharge from the Navy to prove his loyalty.

But the agent turned out to be a relaxed and local Texan whose chief concern was to apologize to us for the fact that having to come so far we were to see so little.

Surprisingly Small

For the ranch is surprisingly small, with marked suburban overtones, such as crazy paving cut out of cement, radio loudspeakers in the trees on the tiny lawn of carpetgrass and a blue plastic cover sealing off the modest swimming pool for the winter.

The house is certainly not the kind of American chateau one associates with the cattle kings of Texas.

At its heart is the austere shelter built from blocks of the local limestone by the president's grandfather and his brother when they settled here to raise cattle. White wooden wings have been added, but it is still the kind of country house one might almost think of owning.

We were not allowed inside, nor indeed—for reasons, which no sidelong glance could discover—to see the back of the premises. Actually, the only objects of real interest are in the front garden—the blocks of cement in which Lyndon Johnson has his visitors sign their names. Not all of them

are important, but the American astronaut have signed and so has Allen Dulles, and on the block closest to the crazy-paved path, in a curiously boyish hand, one reads: "John Kennedy, 1960."

When we had exhausted the meagre visual resources of the house, the secret service man said: "And now I'm going to show you a couple of real nice bulls," as if this were a treat he had saved for last.

Fifteen miles away stands Johnson City, the little township founded in 1879, and in former hopes of a real-estate fortune by the president's great uncle James.

After almost a century of the barest viability, Johnson City is slowly becoming aware of what might become a sensational change in its economic prospects. The chamber of commerce met in emergency premises the other day and decided to invest in electric signs of enormous size to be set up at the three approaches of the city and to shout "Home Town of Lyndon B. Johnson."

Reason Is Political

Hitherto Johnson City has been content to announce itself to the deeply unmoved passers-by on Highway 290 as "Home of Pedernales Electric Co-Op Inc.," a minor product of the oil deal.

To an outsider it seems odd that the place did not begin bragging years ago about its link with a great man in Washington. After all, Lyndon Johnson has been the vice-president for the past three years and before that was the dominant power in the Senate.

This curious omission has not been due, as it might have been in Austin, to southern languor or haughtiness. The fact is that Blanco County, of which Johnson City is the county seat, long has been a Republican stronghold and has seen no special virtue in a Democratic native son.

The reason for this is unique. Both the LBJ ranch and Johnson City lie within the limits of a region settled by German immigrants who came to Texas just before and after 1839. For generations they remained a self-sufficient community, an island of cleanliness and industry in a surrounding sea of laziness based on slavery.

They built the German cities of Fredericksburg and New Braunfels. They spoke German—even the Negroes round here spoke German of a sort—read German newspapers and held their church services in German.

They were shocked out of this isolationism by Texas anti-German sentiment in the First World War. They abandoned almost all their German habits and customs. What remains is the natural conservatism of a frugal and thrifty people, and they suppose these virtues to be best reflected in the Republican Party.

What happens now plainly depends on how much use the president makes of the LBJ ranch as a subsidiary White House.

Up to now the impact on the life of Johnson City has been slight to stare at strangers from the street with black-eye peas and corn bread in the small cafes still gather in shy groups to stare at strangers from the street.

The menfolk still sit in those hats with brims as big as surfboards, chewing tobacco and staring truculently at nothing. But if the Johnson ranch makes Johnson City boom at last, its people scarcely will vote down the source of all those golden eggs.



Instant Dancers

When a new type potentate like President Sukarno of Indonesia wants to entertain a guest, he just gives an order and, hey, presto! Instant dancing girls. And here are some of the scores and scores of beautiful Ballroom dancers, heads adorned with traditional flowers, performing for their leader.

—(Fednews)

Same Pieces Repeated Ad Nauseum Pianists on Treadmill

The impression grows that record companies and their young pianists are on a musical treadmill. John Ogdon was co-winner of the Tchaikovsky International Competition of 1962 and here he is with a recording of Tchaikovsky's First piano concerto.

The other co-winner was Vladimir Ashkenazy and his recording of Tchaikovsky's First came out several months ago. His new recording is of (you guessed it) a Rachmaninoff concerto—the Third.

Van Cliburn burned the same pieces over and over again.

Music On Tape

Offenbach's Galette Parisienne by Andre Kostelanetz is faithfully reproduced on a magnetic tape cartridge made by Columbia for use on the newly invented Revere stereo tape recorder which can play 19 hours of music automatically.

The Kostelanetz tape (RMQ) sounds especially realistic when the recorder is plugged into a good speaker system.

Columbia Command and United Artists are among the first companies to make tapes for this revolutionary system invented by the scientist who created the long-play record.

Lonely? Join The Club

HOLLYWOOD (CN)—A piano player here who has been around clubs for 17 years says the songs most requested in that time include: "I'll Be Seeing You," "I'll Get By," and "Have You Ever Been Lonely." The all-time request favorite: "You're Nobody Till Somebody Loves You."

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equipment with almost unbelievable clarity.

London used its Phase 4 technique in capturing the sound of this choral group. The glassiness that usually envelops the recorded sound of choirs, chorales, choruses and glee clubs seems to be absent in making "the only Christ-

mas album made just for stereo." London and Eric Rogers avoided the so-called seasonal tunes such as White Christmas and made up a program consisting of carols, Hallelujah from The Messiah, Schubert's Ave Maria, The Lord's Prayer and the traditional Greensleeves. Rogers' arrangements are excellent.

Selected Singles—A Christmas Love by Johnny Kaye (Legend 45-127), An Old Christmas Card by Jim Reeves (RCA Victor 47-8252), Christmas Dinner Country Style by Bing Crosby with the Ralph Carmichael Chorus and Orchestra (Capitol 5088), The Young Years by The Elements (Lime-light Y-3013), More by Clark Terry featuring Ben Webster (Cameo C-282), Raindrops in My Heart by Chris Crosby (M-G-M K13191).

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Yes, West Virginia —There Is a Santa

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (UP)—Children—and adults—assailed by doubters who would shake their belief in Santa Claus' can take heart in an opinion of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals that has stood unchallenged since 1926.

UNANIMOUS
Amid the holiday bustle of that year the members of the state's highest court concurred unanimously in an opinion by presiding Judge John H. Hatcher endorsing the existence of Santa Claus.

Hatcher warned "reformers" and iconoclasts "to keep out of our court."

Of those "who would abolish Santa Claus altogether," he wrote:

"And why forsooth would they do this unkind deed? Because they are literal minded. They will have none of make-believe. They demand proof of everything."

HERE'S PROOF
"Proof! Why, what very small child is there among the millions of children but who will state most positively that on the night before Christmas he has heard, or thought he heard, or, well, almost heard, the sharp crack of the driver's whip, the merry jingle of the reindeer's bells, the swish of the sleigh on the snow, and the chuckle of Santa himself when the child peeped and almost caught him before he escaped up the chimney!"

"Proof! Why, the well-filled stockings on Christmas morning which were hung up empty the night before is proof enough to satisfy any jury of our very youthful peers on the issue of Santa Claus," Hatcher wrote.

Of those who believe Santa Claus too old-fashioned, anti-

quoted in his mode of travel, the judge said:

"A substitute for the reindeer is out of the question. Children know an airplane will crash without a landing place and is unsuitable for mountain deliveries."

"I point with pride to the sleigh and reindeer. Man, they go just anywhere! They have never been known to crash, run out of gasoline, develop engine trouble, puncture a tire, get stuck in the mud, freeze a radiator or skid over a bank."

"They have never been reported late on Christmas Eve schedule."

The judge warned that "if the opportunity arises, I shall enjoy these misguided realists they must not rob childhood of its most intriguing mystery—Santa Claus."

"In this kindly gentleman is no harm, and no guile," Hatcher concluded.

NORTH BREEZES

IMPERIAL CONGRATULATIONS to the eleven practical nurse graduates who took bows at Holyrood House; to three Victoria bus drivers, James N. Simpson, John Grant and Carl Allison, who between them have driven 78 years without accident.

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Amateurs Do More Good Than Harm to Pro-Theatre

By BERT BINNY



RUBES



MUELLER

Does amateur theatre hurt or help professional theatre? Which music is protected — popular or classical?

Definite and provocative opinions on these questions have come from two estimable personalities in the local musical-theatrical world — Jan Rubes, the singer, and Otto-Werner Mueller, the conductor.

With the entertainment parade virtually blank this week because of Christmas, now might be a good time to examine these opinions.

Mr. Rubes, discussing support of professional theatre, suggested amateur theatre actually does disservice to the professional.

His idea, which may well have some merit, was that, if the public got amateur theatre, it would be less interested in supporting professional companies.

If the amateur theatre was bad, the public would become sick of both. If it was good, it might not bother with professional companies because "our own amateur efforts are just as good."

Actually non-professional theatres started at any rate in the U.S. — largely because the professional road companies at the time were both bad and unprogressive; they sadly underrated the intelligences and tastes of denizens of the sticks.

Then, from this sort of ancillary, stop-gap position, the amateur movement spread and advanced so rapidly it actually became the mainstream of all theatrical effort.

FED BROADWAY

It fed Broadway; not the reverse.

From here it is logical to argue that, without amateur theatre which can experiment and initiate, there would be no professional; the reverse of Mr. Rubes' statement.

Amateur theatre in Britain has co-existed with the professional since the latter was born hundreds of years ago.

There are more than 30,000 amateur theatrical organizations in Britain. The Old Stagers have been regularly operative for 121 years, the Manchester Athenaeum Dramatic Society since 1834.

FINE MARKET

Here amateur and professional companies have not only co-existed but co-operated by inviting each other to the use of their facilities and so on.

And these thousands upon thousands of societies provide a magnificent market for all the various theatrical commodities such as plays themselves, makeup, lights, scenery and the rest.

So there is little doubt but that amateur theatre serves a great number of most useful purposes. It does infinitely more good than harm to the professional.

A BIT SLOW

Our Victoria public does seem a bit slow to accept professional theatre or other stage arts. The professional company at the old Victoria Theatre committed suicide just when it was beginning to establish itself and win support.

The public had nothing to do with this nor had the amateur companies.

Mr. Rubes may be partially right. There may be some people who, for reasons best known to themselves, go to local, amateur theatrical productions and stay away from visiting professionals.

But not many. Speaking of music in a Colonist interview the other day, Mr. Otto-Werner Mueller referred to seeking "the protection of the popular" (he was speaking of folk songs as popular.)

Surely there is the risk of a misconception here. If there is any brand of music that is protected — is it not the popular but the classical?

The latter has always enjoyed the munificence and appreciation of rich patrons, including the Canada Council, while popular music depends solely on public appeal, reflecting the spirit of its time.

"There is one way to do it and there is no other way. The corporation is convinced that the only workable technical arrangement within reasonable financial limits is to use the CBC transmitter."

On Their Toes

WINNIPEG, Man. (UPI) — George Corneous, manager of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, says the company may break even on its tour of eastern Canada. He said if the ballet doesn't break even, the loss will be less than \$100.

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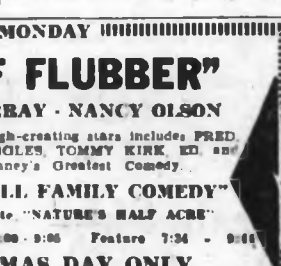
Proud Parents

Joyous Sammy Davis Jr. poses with wife, May Britt, and their children when they visited him on set of Robin and the 7 Hoods in Hollywood. Children are daughter Tracey (left), 2, and adopted boy, Mark, 3½. —AP Photos.



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Thursday through Sunday — Dave Broadfoot and Pat Rose, The Secret, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Saturday — Readings from Dickens, Victoria Theatre Studio, 8:30 p.m.

Dec. 31 — New Year's Hoot with Bill Willoughby, The Secret, 8:30 p.m.

Debbie Reynolds Shocked

'Me Swim in Nude? —Are You Crazy?'

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Debbie Reynolds was reading the script of her new musical, The Unsinkable Molly Brown, when she let out a shriek and stormed into the office of producer Lawrence Weingarten.

"You want me to swim in the nude?" she demanded. "Me, Debbie Reynolds?"

The producer tried to explain that it seemed natural that Molly, an uninhibited frontier girl, would take a bath in a mountain lake — in the altogether.

"Are you out of your mind?" she said. "That might be all right for some of the other girls, but I'm no sex symbol. Never was, never will be."

The producer asked her to think about it. She needed counsel. Who could advise her better than her friend, Carroll Baker, who has been making a kind of career of nude scenes.

"Hey — how did you do those scenes, anyway?" Debbie asked.

"Nude," Carroll replied.

"You know I couldn't do that."

"Okay, tell you what you do. Get some stripper's tape. Put it on and you get the same effect."

Debbie told the MGM makeup department to hunt up some stripper's flesh-colored tape.

The makeup people outfitted a stand-in with stripper's tape and showed the result to Debbie. She let out a shriek.

Debbie took the swim in Molly Brown's underwear. And that's the story of how she did not do a nude scene.

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No Great Urge to Be a Star

'I Got Into Acting In Spite of Father'

By DON ALPERT

HOLLYWOOD (LAT) — Children of successful people usually have it rougher than their parents. This is especially true in Hollywood where few juniors have lived up to senior's reputation. Elizabeth Montgomery has the answer: don't try.

Miss Montgomery is the daughter of Robert Montgomery, now more or less retired from Hollywood although he did direct a play last season on Broadway.

Before that he was one of the town's leading men. And, while she's seen often on television, Liz's film output can be counted on one hand. Her next release, due in January, is Who's Been Sleeping In My Bed?

Did her father encourage an acting career?

"I got into acting in spite of him," she said. "He painted a black picture. I don't think it's the kind of life you'd want any child of yours to have. If any child of mine (which I don't have at the moment) wants to act, I would be hesitant."

"Acting hasn't really made me depressed—maybe twice in 12 years—but I think it's because I haven't had that great urge to be a star. I'm not that competitive. It depends on the personality. The more ambitious somebody is, the greater the disappointments. It's a strange kind of thing—a rejection for an actor."

"They're terribly insecure people and I'm not letting myself out. You're a commodity and when you're rejected you're rejected totally: you're too thin, you're too tall, you're too short."

"It's a little spooky for someone to say 'We'd like a later model or an earlier one or don't you have it in a different color?'"

GOOD THINGS, TOO

"What I have mentioned is the negative side. The good things are obvious. The satisfaction and the people. I'm just saying acting is not my entire life and would never be. Ambition is a terribly delicate weapon to play around with. If it's something that's pulling you from the front and pushing from behind you can work up a pretty full head of steam before you realize all the boxes lying around."

"You know what I mean? You can hurt an awful lot of people when the blinders are on."

SELLS TICKETS

In Who's Been Sleeping In My Bed? Miss Montgomery plays Dean Martin's fiancée and Carol Burnett plays her best friend. The original title was Poked Every Wednesday and Liz said she prefers it to the present name "but I guess it'll sell tickets."

Liz, you see, is a realist. And while she vowed her love for acting, she said:

"I am not riddled with ambition, however. There are many more important things than a career."

SUCH AS LOVE

"Such as?"

"Do you want to try love? And children and a home. A career involves ego while the other doesn't or shouldn't."

"You see, I get so sick of myself by the end of the day. You get so conscious of how you look and walk and talk."

Miss Montgomery, besides being a realist, has a sense of humor, often a rare quality in Hollywood. And she uses herself as a target.

About herself: "I'm a candidate for a terribly good plastic surgeon. And the poor make-up man in the morning. I'm his greatest challenge. They used to tell children if you don't behave the bogey man will get you. Now they say Liz Montgomery will get you."

But only if they don't watch out.

Session Slated

OTTAWA (UPI) — Prime Minister Pearson said Saturday the second session of Canada's 26th parliament will open in the second week of February.



ELIZABETH MONTGOMERY

... realist with humor

Coin in Slot Brings Instant Strip-Tease

PARIS (Reuters) — Paris will get live, coin-in-the-slot "instant strip-tease" early next year.

Under the pay-as-you-view system, customers in the prep clubs will get three minutes of strip-tease for five francs (\$1).

The five francs will give access to small booths — a single enthusiast to each booth—with windows in the walls facing the stage. When the three minutes are up, shutters will close over the windows.

CBC Defies Critics On Language Issue

OTTAWA (CP) — The CBC dug its heels in last week on the stormy issue of bringing French-language radio service to Toronto and southern Ontario.

The publicly owned corporation announced it is standing pat on its plans to convert its English-language Toronto station CIBC to a French-language station by next October — in spite of mounting protests.

"There is no other way," said R. C. Fraser, CBC vice-president for corporate affairs, to provide French radio service for the large French-speaking minority in southern Ontario.

He said in a statement that the CBC's mandate is to provide broadcast service to the largest possible number of Canadians and that it be provided in French and in English.

On Their Toes

WINNIPEG, Man. (UPI) — George Corneous, manager of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, says the company may break even on its tour of eastern Canada. He said if the ballet doesn't break even, the loss will be less than \$100.

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with Alec Merriman

The favorite old bar isn't what it used to be—the gravel steelhead bar on the Cowichan below the Silver Bridge, we mean.

There is still plenty of fishing water along the bar, but it is now a longer reach to the other side of the river where the steelhead are sometimes found in the deeper channel.

The gravel bar is on the south side of the river. On the north side the river bed has been bulldozed and a dyke has been made along the north bank to stop flooding of the banks.

Much of the old bar has been washed away and with it some of the favorite spots. Now it is a matter of finding new hangup spots where the steelhead pause on their way up the Cowichan.

We fished the bar on Friday and found the Cowichan in near perfect condition, except for a lack of steelhead for us.

The river was crowded with dog salmon and we hooked into, and released, two big ones.

The bar fishing area is a privately-owned part of the river, but during steelheading time, owner Jim Patterson allows fishermen on his property.

Turn off the Island Highway at the Steak House, just before you reach the Silver Bridge. Keep sharp left and then right, along the river, for about one-quarter mile until you reach the far area.

It is a good idea to stop for a hot coffee and ask Betty; Stafford, who leases the restaurant from Patterson, for the latest fishing information. You will be fishing on their property, but you will be made more than welcome as long as everyone behaves.

This bar is the ideal spot for the fisherman who hasn't too much time for tramping the rivers to the special pools and runs. On a Sunday morning, it is not uncommon to see 30 or 40 steelheaders working the bar area.

This is different steelheading than that in the Harris Creek pools. At Harris Creek the water is crystal clear. You see the steelies and you stalk them. Because the water is clear you use a light line and as little weight as possible.

At the Cowichan bar the river is swift and quite colored. Frequently you hang up on the bottom as your lure or bait bobs along in the swift current. You don't see the steelies until you hook one.

You need a heavier line, about 15-pound test, so you don't lose too much tackle to the bottom. You must use a heavier weight to make sure your lure does bob along the bottom in the swift water. You must be on the bottom. It is no use thinking you can use a lighter weight and avoid the hangups. You might just as well go home.

Find a likely looking spot on the bar. Cast far out... right across if you can and as much upstream as you can get. Then let your weight bob along the bottom so you can feel it with the rod tip. The moment you get a strange pull... maybe three lazy tugs... strike... it could be a steelhead mouthing the lure.

Just about the most important thing in this kind of fishing is to be able to distinguish a steelhead from a bottom hangup. Each season hundreds of steelhead are lost by persons who think they have hooked bottom and yank the hook out of the steelie's mouth.

Work all across the river... with a shorter cast each time... until you are working your bait almost at your feet. Quite often the steelhead will lie under the willows, almost where you stand to fish.

There are dozens of weight hookups. In the fast water of the Cowichan, a half-inch piece of surgical tubing threaded on the line, with a length of pencil lead pushed into the tubing (the length depends upon how much weight is needed to keep the lure moving along the bottom) is as good as anything. In a bad hangup the weight slips out of the rubber tubing and releases your lure and line. But that setup would be much too disturbing for the crystal clear Harris Creek where we prefer split leads.

When we hit the bar on Friday a couple of Indian boys were spearing the dog salmon, an interesting sight to watch. The dog (chum) salmon swam all around us as we waded the river. Some in pairs engaged in mating rites and others dead or dying.

The first one we hit gave us quite a fight, darting upstream, then across the river, then downstream in a steady run, until the cork showed on our reel and, finally, the line broke. Wife Taffy hooked one on a T-apon and brought it in after a terrific battle. We gently unhooked it, held its head against the current until it regained strength and let it go to continue its spawning.

Incidentally, it is illegal for anyone except Indians to take the dog salmon from the rivers.

U.S. Tennis Row Boosts Cup Hope

ADELAIDE, Australia (AP)—Explosive Dennis Ralston got mad at himself, Pancho Gonzales got mad at Dennis and the Australians gleefully started predicting Saturday that short tempers may cost the favored Americans the Davis Cup here next weekend.

While some 300 spectators watched in stunned amazement Ralston and long-time tutor Gonzales engaged in a heated word exchange during practice. Gonzales quit in the middle of the match, striding angrily to the dressing room.

Ralston, his lips drawn tight, continued practice with Chuck McKinley, with whom he is teaming in the challenge round against the Australians starting Thursday.

It was the first marked flare-up by the young Americans who are notorious for temperament and raised the question of whether the American cup bid

may be blunted by dissension. Bob Kelleher, Davis Cup captain, insisted the incident was minor and simply proof that tension was rising as the important cup matches near.

Ralston himself cooled off later and said "it was a tough match and we just got edgy."

"This happens between us all the time."

Australian newspapers gave heavy play to what they called the Yankees blowup and started speculation on the effect it might have on the Davis Cup bid.

The Australians, whose campaign is jarred by a threatened players' rebellion, continued crisp workouts.

FRASER LOOKS GOOD

The feeling is growing that 30-year-old Neale Fraser is reaching peak form and will play the second singles spot behind Roy Emerson, and also team with Emerson in the doubles. This would give the Australians an experienced line-up, even if an

old one—Emerson is 27.

Minor Soccer Results

Results of play yesterday in the Lower Island Junior and Juvenile Soccer Association follow:

Division III—Farming Optimists 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1; Esquimalt 2, Cowichan 1; Esquimalt 2, Cowichan 1; Esquimalt 2, Cowichan 1.

Division IV—Esquimalt 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1; Esquimalt 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1; Esquimalt 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1.

Division V—Esquimalt 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1; Esquimalt 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1; Esquimalt 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1.

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Division XI—Esquimalt 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1; Esquimalt 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1; Esquimalt 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1.

Division XII—Esquimalt 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1; Esquimalt 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1; Esquimalt 2, Oak Bay Optimists 1.



JACK HOBBS
... leaves memories

Cricket Mourns Jack Hobbs Greatest—as Player and Man

HOVE, England (Reuters)—All-time great cricket player Sir Jack Hobbs, the man who never let England down, died Saturday in his home at 81.

Hobbs was considered by many to have been the greatest batsman of all time.

He was born Dec. 16, 1882, and learned cricket on the playing fields at Cambridge, where his father was a grounds caretaker.

KNIGHTED IN 1933

Hobbs was knighted in 1933, the first professional cricket player to receive that honor.

The man the crowds worshipped started with the advantage of being a natural batsman, but Norman Preston, editor of Wisden Cricketers' Almanac, said his perfection of fielding was the result of long practice.

Hobbs set a string of records, many of which still stand.

Friends said Hobbs, who was seriously ill for the last several weeks, was never the same after his wife, Lady Anna, died last March.

"It's been a great life," he said some years ago. "I have enjoyed every minute of it. I love cricket."

British cricket players saluted Hobbs as "the greatest"—both as a player and a man.

"He was undoubtedly the greatest batsman I ever saw; he was a fine influence on the game and a great gentleman," said G. O. Allen, president of the Marylebone Cricket Club.

FAMED PARTNERSHIP

In the 1920s the opening partnership of Jack Hobbs and Herbert Sutcliffe was a regular feature of the England team. They scored 100 runs or more together on 26 occasions.

For Surrey, his county team, Hobbs opened with Andy Sandham—another famous partnership.

He made 1,000 runs in a season 26 times, 2,000 runs, 16 times and 3,000 runs once. In 1925, his greatest season, he scored four centuries in successive innings.

JUST MISSED 200

Hobbs never let the state of the pitch worry him. Some of his best scores were made on sticky or turning wickets, when everything helped the bowler.

He was the first batsman to master the googly bowler—who makes the ball break with a marked action.

Hobbs went on making runs until he was 51. Then, when he needed only three more centuries for a total of 200, he retired.

Spurs Remain Tied for Lead Morton Keeps Perfect Record

LONDON (Reuters)—Everton whipped Manchester United 4-0, all the goals coming in the second half, in an English League soccer battle of giants Saturday.

For Everton, the league champion, it was sweet revenge. United, the Football Association Cup holder, won its earlier league meeting this season, 5-1, at Manchester.

SPURT DID IT

Three of the Everton goals came in a tremendous 10-minute spell. United badly missed Denis Law, who is under a one-month suspension.

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Catches Eye Of Canadians

MONTREAL (CP)—Sam Pollock, general manager of Montreal Junior Canadiens, said Friday that the National Hockey League parent club is trying to obtain defenceman Lef Lelan of Gavle, Sweden.

"Lelan was highly recommended to us," said Pollock. "He is only 18 years old and, according to our scout, looks as good as Jacques Laperriere did in his junior days."

Pollock will confer with the Swedish star when Lelan joins Sweden's national team in January, while the team is on a Canadian tour.

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Lead Now Only Four Points

Chicago Skid Reaches Serious Stage

Chicago — The skid of the Chicago Black Hawks has reached a serious stage as the team's record stands at 10 wins, 10 losses and 10 ties.

The Hawks, who have lost five games last night as the astounding Montreal Canadiens continued their surge with a come-from-behind, 3-2 victory before 14,685 wide-eyed Montreal fans.

Hawks, who have lost five and tied three of their last 10 games, are now only four points ahead of Canadiens, who hold a game in hand. Two points further back, and with two games in hand, are Toronto Maple Leafs.

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Christmas Gay, Non-Commercial

By NORA MARTIN

AVIGNON, France (TNS)—Halfway between the fashionable, tourist-invaded French Riviera and the avuncular ski-resorts of the French Alps, I've found a place where Christmas has remained a sincere, folksy, gay yet non-commercial celebration in the old and touching tradition.

In this city of Avignon the Mediterranean sun shines on historic palaces and miles of vineyards and the winds can blow cold and hard from the nearby Alps.

It is on this historic site that in a magnificent feudal fortress-palace seven Roman Catholic popes rivaled Rome during the 14th century.

And it is here in the south of France that Christmas is observed in its true and original spirit.

As well as the Christmas tree—occasionally instead

of it—the local families set up a crèche for the Christ Child and surround it with the figures of Mary and Joseph, the three Wise Men and the traditional shepherds.

To these figures are added characters and personalities for the local touch. There is the city mayor and other local dignitaries, the "gardiens" or local cowboys, the policeman, soldiers in French uniform, fishermen and fish-wives from the Marseille and a multitude of folkloric characters, all assembled in this still-life to celebrate the birth of Christ.

The figures themselves, called Santons, are based on a centuries-old local handicraft, modeled in clay and painted, each figure is a work of art.

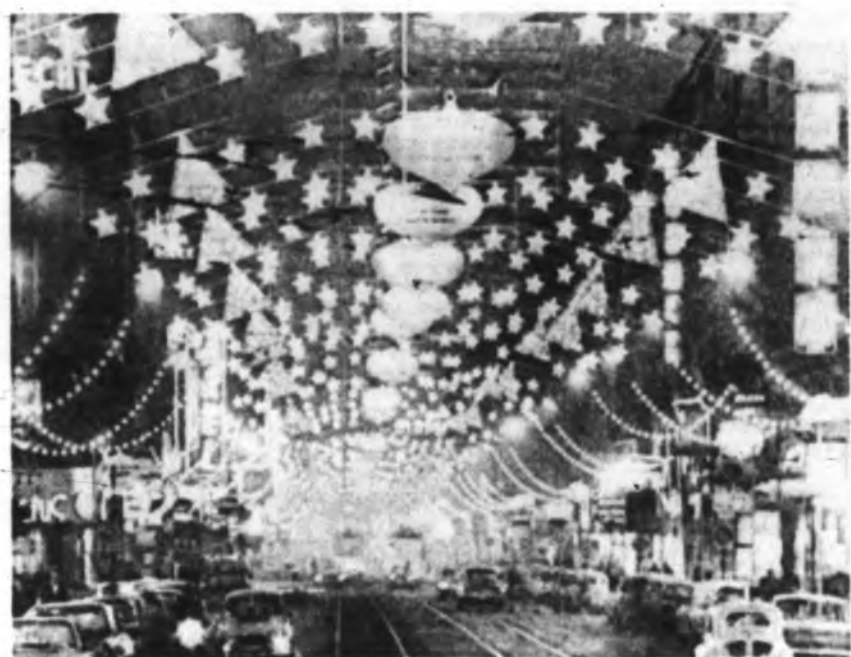
And the greatest homage the people here can pay to a politician, a scientist or an industrialist is to give his face to one of their Santons at Christmas time.

The Christmas rituals here include the traditional Christmas mass on midnight of Dec. 24 to which the citizens come garbed in colorful costumes.

Local shepherds in long cloaks and broad-brimmed hats carry baby lambs to present to the Christ Child. And the ancient Christmas carols ring out in the churches accompanied by flutes and drums.

Fireworks and torches illuminate the marvelous Palace of the Popes and if not on the famous Pont d'Avignon, one dances in the streets after midnight.

Particularly at Christmas it is a warming experience to be transported out of the cities with their neon lights, noisy traffic and their modern commercialism into a place where the world seems to have been standing still for centuries.



Giant Lottery Mexico's Santa

MEXICO CITY (CNS)—Santa Claus is going to be doing things in a big way here this year.

He has about \$3,000,000 to stuff into Mexico's Christmas stockings.

The money is being raffled off by the National Lottery. The top prize is 30,000,000 pesos, or \$2,400,000. In addition, there are more than 400 other prizes, ranging from \$250,000 down to \$400.

In all likelihood the first prize will be split among as many as 60 winners.

As in most Latin American countries, the National Lottery is a long-established institu-

tion. The money earned by the government-run lottery goes to build hospitals and to fight disease.

Mexico City's 38-acre medical centre was built with lottery funds. The lottery is also financing a campaign against malaria.

As a result of the campaign, the health department reports, there hasn't been a malaria death in Mexico in four years. A decade ago, malaria took an average of 23,000 lives a year, the third most deadly disease in the nation.

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ART BUCHWALD Reports

Elephant Jokes For Posterity!

NEW YORK, N.Y.—If you've got anyone in the family between the ages of six and 12, then you have probably heard an elephant joke. No one is quite sure how the rage started, but two astute young men, Robert Price and Leonard Stern, decided to cash in on it by publishing *The Elephant Book*.

The book has been selling like peanuts and in less than four months the publishers have unloaded 350,000.

"What gave you the idea for the book?" we asked our good friend Mr. Price.

"Well, this is a case of a demand for something and no product available. We knew kids were meeting in dark alleys and under lamp-posts and in cellars exchanging elephant jokes, but no one had bothered to put any of them on paper. Someone had to do it."

"How did you find the jokes in such a short span of time?"

"There are a lot of classical elephant jokes, such as: 'Why do elephants lie on their backs with their feet in the air?' The answer is: 'So they can trip birds.' Or: 'How do you get four elephants into a Volkswagen?' Answer: 'Two in the front and two in the back.'"

"And then we made a lot up ourselves. That's the great thing about elephant jokes. You can make them up."

"Some the boys made up were: 'How do you know if an elephant's standing near you in the elevator?' Answer: 'By the smell of peanuts on his breath.' 'Why don't more elephants go to college?' Answer: 'Not too many finish high school.'"

"What did Tarzan say when he saw the elephants coming over the hill?" He said, 'Here come the elephants over the hill.'"

Mr. Price has his own theory about the popularity of elephant jokes. "Kids love to be one up on their parents and there is no better way of trapping adults than with an elephant joke."

"But why elephants?" we asked. "It's the biggest mammal around," Mr. Price replied. "If you're going to tell a big joke, you've got to have a big animal."

Since Mr. Price's book came out, he has been deluged with elephant jokes. He suspects adults are even sending them in.

One he received recently asked, "What did Tarzan say when he saw the elephants coming over the hill wearing sheep on their heads as toupees?"

Answer: "That does it. I'm closing up the jungle."

"How do you make an elephant float?"

"You take a scoop of ice cream, soda water, and one elephant."

It is typical of Mr. Stern and Mr. Price to start wondering what elephants are saying about people, and they are now thinking of putting out a people book for elephants.

So far they've come up with: "Why do people have babies?"

Answer: "Because they can't have elephants."

"Why do people lie on their backs with their feet in the air?"

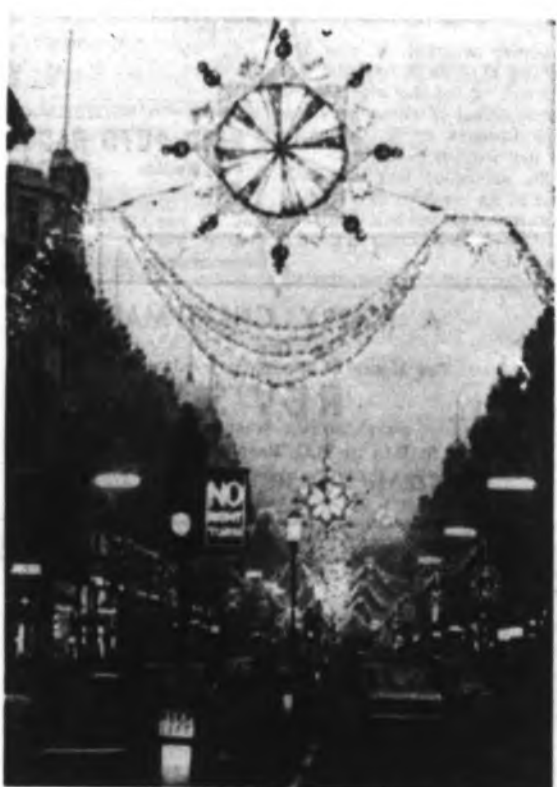
"To keep elephants from walking on them."

"Why do people always start wars?"

"Because they don't have the brains of an elephant."

Gaiety in Lights

Above, best display of Christmas lights in Europe is this cheerful scene in Brussels. Street has been renamed Fairylight for festive season. Below is runner-up display—London's famous Regent Street where lights help dispel winter darkness. —(Fidnews Photos)



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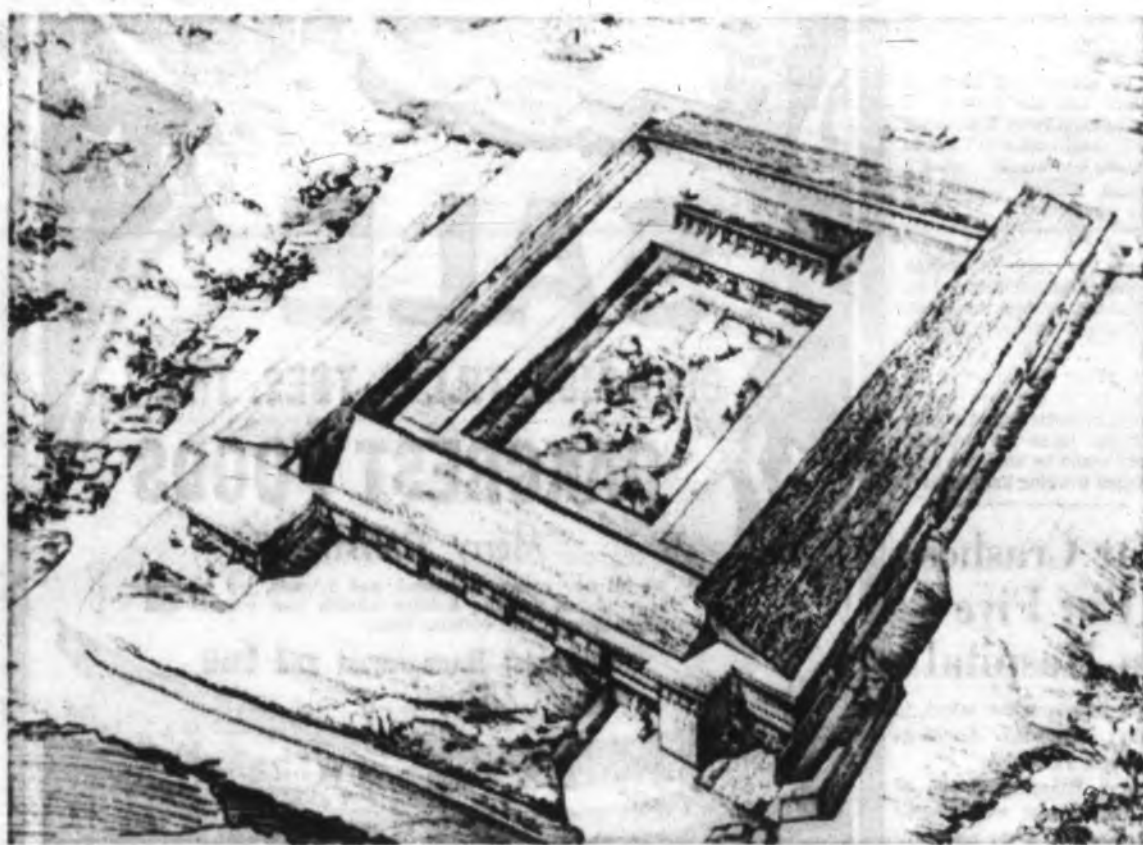
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Builders Find \$500 Bonus Mixed Blessing



Architect's sketch of Richmond Heights Private Hospital which will be built next year shows square structure built around landscaped interior courtyard, with parking lot on the left, near Cedar Hill Cross Road.

By DON GAIN

Victoria builders are having second thoughts about the value of the federal government's \$500 bonus plan for the building of houses in winter months.

Here are some of their objections:

- The concrete people are feeling it right now because all the foundations have been poured.
- "Because all the houses have to be finished by the end of March," he continued, "everyone is at the same stage all the time."
- "Right now it's all carpenters. Next month it will be electricians, plumbers, bricklayers, then plasterers and joiners after that. It means you can't always get skilled men when you need them."
- This could lead to loss of bonus due to late completion of houses, he said.

As Kenneth Price of Stockton Construction Ltd. put it:

Cost More in Winter

Mr. Price admitted that the plan stimulated business. "I'm building four houses instead of two this winter," he said. "But I'm very concerned about next year. This present spurt and the coming jump in tax can't help but have an effect."

"Houses cost more to build in the winter because you don't get anywhere near the production out of your men," said contractor George Walton.

"If they're soaking wet by 3 p.m. you can't expect them to work any longer but you have to pay them for the day. You need extra gravel to get your trucks onto the property and sawdust around the foundations. All your drains cost more."

Starting Too Late

His brother, Peter, also a contractor, agreed with him. "I think it's pretty good but they are starting too late. You need at least four months, more in the winter, to build a good house," he said.

George Yakimovich is building three houses, his brother two.

A more optimistic note was struck by William Loney of Vickers Construction Ltd. who said his firm had developed improved methods in the building of 30 houses this winter.

"We made sure our basement fill and foundations were in before the rainy season started. Of course there was a bit of luck involved. We use steel mats to get our trucks onto the lots and we have a fast method of laying rough flooring."

He said rain didn't increase the water content of lumber. "It's not outside that long," he explained. "All in all we are building just as good a house as we could build in the summer."

"As for spring building, I think there will be a weak period but I think it will level out."

Also optimistic about the future was Wilfred W. Fraser of Fraser & Stubbs Construction Ltd.

"We anticipate a lull after we finish our four winter houses," he said, "but business seems to go along just the same even in spite of higher taxes."

Holiday Toll Predicted 45

OTTAWA (UPI)—The Canadian Highway Safety Council has forecast that at least 45 Canadians would die in traffic accidents during the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

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Mile-Long Skyscraper Planned for Toronto

TORONTO (CP)—The Telegram says a skyscraper apartment project, which will stretch one mile and cost \$100,000,000, is planned for construction over the lake-front Canadian National Railway tracks west of the Canadian National exhibition grounds.

Questions... ...Answers

By CHARLES A. TAYLOR

Q. Hot water causes our face has buckled. Can this be plumbing to make noises. Is repaired without an entire replacement of the table top?

A. Try this method: Slice through the buckled area with a razor blade. Then, using a spatula or long thin screwdriver, work a waterproof cement through the slot into the underside of the veneer. When the underside is well covered with the cement, press the veneer back into position and hold it down with weights until the adhesive is thoroughly dry. Also be sure to wipe up any adhesive that oozes through the place where the veneer was sliced.

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For Elderly, Chronic Patients

New Hospital Planned

Tenders will be called in January for a 75-bed private hospital which will be built on the southwest corner of Cedar Hill Cross Road and Richmond.

The Richmond Heights Private Hospital for elderly, chronic patients is to be built by Richmond Private Hospitals Ltd. It will serve both welfare and private patients.

Cost of the hospital is estimated at \$480,000.

The structure, designed by Victoria architect Donald Wagg, will have as features an interior court and patio adjacent to the main lounge and dining room.

The hospital will be a single storey structure.

Wards will have from one to four beds, and the four-bed wards have been designed in such a way that each patient will have an individual exterior view.

Unlike other hospitals of its kind, this one will have a hair-dressing parlor and special television lounge for patients with restricted vision.

A 44-car parking lot will be screened from Cedar Hill Cross Road by a row of trees.

Mr. Wagg said yesterday the hospital was designed to create a domestic atmosphere rather than that of a hospital.

It is hoped the hospital will be completed by the summer of 1964, he said.

What to Look For

Repair Weak Spots When They Appear

By MARGERY McILHENY

CHICAGO (UPI)—The "weak" spots around the house can cause extensive damage if not corrected when they appear.

The most susceptible weak spots include the flashing around the chimney and other brickwork, roofing, gutters and downspouts, window frames and corners, foundations extending only a few inches above ground, and siding and studs touching the ground.

Suggested check list for homeowners:

- Flashing around brickwork, vent pipes and television aerials and windows and door drip caps should be examined and frames caulked.
- The roof should be carefully examined inside and out because small leaks may be hard to detect. A small leak will not always spot interior walls or ceiling, but it will let moisture to get into the siding.
- Gutters and downspouts should be kept clean coated and rust-free to help water run off rapidly. In winter, snow and ice may melt from the warmth of the house, slide down to the overhang and form a dam with water from melted snow behind it. This water can penetrate shingles and eventually the siding.
- Window frames and corners where siding meets sometimes permits water to enter. Where a paint film has peeled or cracked, moisture probably is getting into the wood.

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Furniture Provides Paint Guide

To accentuate the beauty of expensive furniture or to complement less important pieces, walls should be painted a color that is the most flattering to the wood.

Blonde woods are enhanced by such warm quiet colors as salmon, rose, honey beige and cinnamon. Chartruese, aquamarine and moss green also are attractive with this light wood.

Elegant colors such as antique gold, deep red and royal blue bring out the rich tones of mahogany. For those who prefer light hues, walls of pale yellow, light green, soft coral and powder blue are equally becoming.

Walnut furniture looks handsome against a background of cream, gray-blue, Nile green, desert pink or gray-beige.

The lighter the wall, the larger the room will look. This is because light colors reflect more light and make the walls appear to recede. Ceilings can be painted to either contrast or harmonize with the walls. A light color will make the ceiling seem higher; a deeper shade will make it look lower.

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Notebook of Faith

Poet of Despair Misjudged Christmas Spirit

By ERNEST MARSHALL HOWSE

Almost a century ago, the gloomy poet, James Thompson, author of the City of Dreadful Night, wrote what he thought was a last farewell to Christmas.

"More than eighteen hundred years have passed since the death of the great God Pan was proclaimed, and now it is full time to proclaim the death of the Great God Christ."

"Eighteen hundred years make a fairly long period even for a celestial dynasty; but this one is its perishing must differ from that of any other."

Certainly he had a powerful capacity to make us feel the obscurity of our knowledge, and the pathos of our hopes.

"The sense that every struggle brings defeat. That all the oracles are dumb or cheat. Because they have no secret to express. Because there is no life beyond the curtain. That all is vanity, and nothingness."

Thompson's view was of a world from which God was banished and Christmas had disappeared, but at least he had the reality to see what kind of a world it was. He knew that it was a world of darkness. He knew that you could not banish God and still have a world of goodness, beauty and truth.

More than 90 years have passed since Thompson penned his bleak word of despair, but the world is not yet ready to relegate Christ to the realm of art.

Now consider Wordsworth's famous sonnet: "Milton thou shouldst be living at this hour England hath need of thee." He reminds us that the people whom we do need are never the people like Adolf Hitler who seemed for a while to be so big, while Jesus Christ has seemed to be so small.

No one today would think of writing: Napoleon, thou shouldst be living at this hour, or Caesar, or Genghis Khan. We have had

enough of them and their kind to last for ever.

If the stars in their courses fought against Cleo something eternal seems to be fighting against all his kind ever since, while, as a writer has put it, the whole universe is on the side of the values lived and taught by Jesus Christ.

Come to See Manger

It is true that many people today are doing unconsciously what Thompson did deliberately. They come at Christmas to see the manger as they go to a museum to see the Mona Lisa. But perhaps there are more people now than there were a century ago who see that the world desperately needs the Prince of Peace.

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Gruber's Goal: Hear, Relax

Hans Gruber has decided he will not return as resident conductor of the Victoria Symphony Orchestra; in fact, he doesn't really want to be a resident conductor anywhere again.

The 38-year-old director of the orchestra for 15 years stopped during Christmas shopping long enough to explain what began as a year's leave of absence and ended as his replacement by Otto-Werner Mueller.

For some time, said Mr. Gruber, he had considered a leave or even turning over the orchestra to someone else.

The time finally came and he has moved to Toronto "to hear and go to as many (musical) things as I can."

Wife June will take the children, Maia, 9; Jonathan, 5; and twins Elisabeth and Tessa, 2, to Toronto in the spring. After school is over.

Mr. Gruber said he is "neither entertaining offers

from orchestras nor making any move to seek them. "After a year of more or less doing nothing, then I will see."

His dislike for a residency



Gruber

has nothing to do with Victoria. As a matter of fact, "Victoria is a charming place ... one fights the temptation to succumb."

The reason is conducting or any public performance is "primarily a play of nerves ... in a private office, an eraser is the answer but,

when you work in front of 2,000 people, no eraser will help you.

"I've always had excellent nerves," said Mr. Gruber. "I want to keep them that way." He'll return often to Victoria for visits and wouldn't mind a "certain limited amount of guest conducting."

There is also Canadian Worsted Manufacturing Ltd. of Toronto, whose president, J. George Gruber, is his father.

The young conductor is not employed by the firm but is keeping in touch so that, should his father leave the business, "there would be someone with sufficient working knowledge."

Australia, New Zealand Circuits Booked Solid

Telephone circuits to Australia and New Zealand are booked solid for Monday and Tuesday, a B.C. Telephone spokesman said yesterday.

Christmas "down under" comes one day earlier than here because of the international date line, and Monday will be Christmas Eve there.

Telephone traffic to Australia and New Zealand goes via Vancouver and the new trans-Pacific cable which was put into operation on Dec. 4.

Statistics were not available

for trans-Atlantic calls, but traffic from the Victoria area is holding to the estimates made several weeks ago, said the spokesman.

Meanwhile, Canadian National Telephone reported that Santagrams, designed specifically for youngsters, account for a high percentage of holiday telegram traffic.

The Santagram is transmitted on a specially decorated telegraph blank with a North Pole dateline and is signed by Santa himself. It reassures children that Santa is on his way and that those who were good during the year will get their just rewards.

Car Crashes Put Five In Hospital

Five people were taken to hospital following accidents in Victoria yesterday.

George Etherington, 48, of 3889 Persimmon, was treated for hip bruises after being hit by a car while crossing Johnson Street at 1:45 a.m.

George Harper, 36, of 3018 Carroll was treated for head cuts after a car accident on Richmond. Ulla Larsen, 17, of 2839 Cedar Hill, was treated for a sore neck received in a three-car crash at Douglas and Bay and two unidentified women were taken to St. Joseph's Hospital and treated for minor injuries received in a two-car crash at Quadra and North Park, late last night.

Final Hours

Senate Thwarts Commons By Killing Divorce Bill

OTTAWA (CP) — The first parliamentary session under the new Liberal minority government prorogued Saturday night.

Prorogation came after a grinding 12-hour day during which the Commons debated and approved the spending estimates of the transport, external affairs, finance and state secretaries departments.

Chief Justice Robert Taschereau, deputy to the governor-general, read the session-ending speech from the Throne, the first time in two years that a session has ended with the speech and with all the government's spending estimates approved.

DISCLOSED TWICE

The last time was Sept. 29, 1961, and since then parliament has been dissolved twice for general elections.

During the finance department estimate debate, Finance Minister Gordon and New Democratic Party financial critic Colin Cameron of Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands, agreed Canada should not be "balkanized" by a weakening of the federal government's financial powers.

NEAR DANGER LINE

Mr. Cameron said the government has come "perilously near the danger line" in relinquishing taxing powers to the provinces.

At the last federal-provincial fiscal conference, the British Columbia government had made "much more separatist demands" than had the Quebec government, and with less excuse for doing so, he said.

FALLEN SHORT

He said Finance Minister Gordon had fallen short in his budget's measures to overcome foreign control of Canada's economy.

Mr. Gordon said his budget's measures to help Canada regain

control of its economic affairs "will be more effective in the years to come than some of its critics yet realize."

DIVORCE BILL KILLED

In its final hours, the Commons gave its unanimous approval to a government bill to make the Senate's new divorce commissioner a judge of the Exchequer Court.

But the bill was killed half an hour later in the Senate where the government house leader, Senator W. Ross Macdonald, appeared surprised at the news that the Commons had passed it.

ONLY 21 PRESENT

He said it should receive consideration of at least the majority of the 102 senators. Only 21 were in the Senate at the time.

The Upper House then approved its motion that second reading, or approval in principle, of the bill be deferred until the Senate's next sitting.

This means the bill will have to be reintroduced in the Commons at the next session of parliament.

DIVERT CASES

The bill was one which would have helped to divert divorce cases from Newfoundland and Quebec out of the Commons and into the Senate.

In the debate on the finance

department's \$1,371,000,000 budget for the current fiscal year, Mr. Gordon also indicated that negotiations on a revision of the Canada-United States Tax Treaty may start within two weeks.

BUDGET CHANGES

The negotiations arise out of changes in Mr. Gordon's June 13 budget in withholding taxes on interest and dividends paid to foreign investors.

As a means of encouraging foreign owners of subsidiary companies in Canada to offer a minority 25-per-cent ownership in the subsidiaries to Canadian investors, the budget cut the withholding tax on dividends to 10 per cent from 15 per cent for companies which meet this criterion.

For companies which don't, the tax would rise to 20 per cent at the start of 1965.

TREATY SETS LIMIT

The Canada-U.S. tax treaty sets a 15-per-cent ceiling on the level of withholding taxes that can be levied by either country on interest and dividends transferred from one to the other.

Revocation of the convention's terms on withholding taxes could permit the rate of U.S. withholding tax to rise automatically to 30 per cent on transfers to Canada of earnings from Canadian investments in the U.S.

Accountant Firms To Merge

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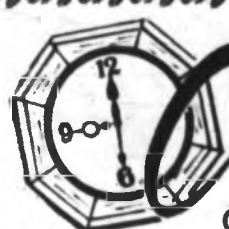
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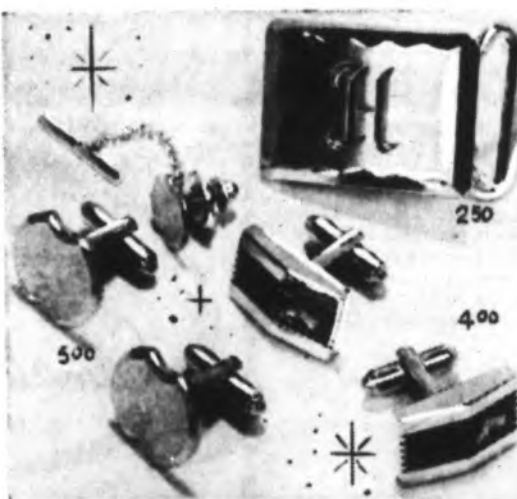
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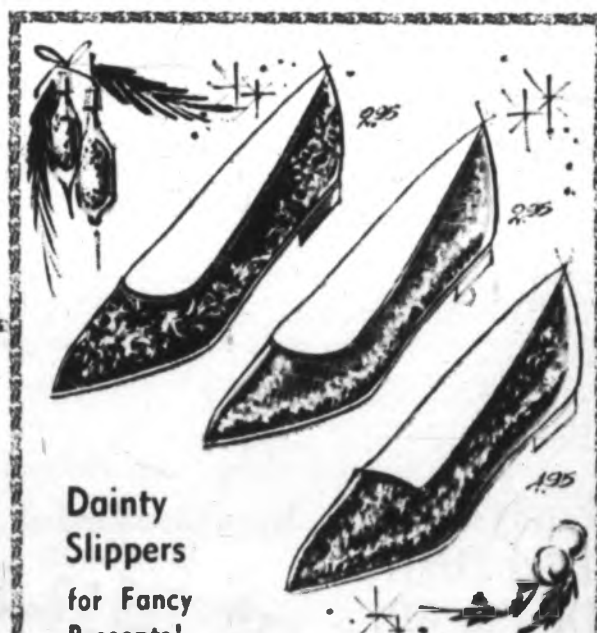
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A Party for Elfskeme

A Scream for Mead

Mistletoe Miss Some Dame

By TED GASKELL.

No one seems to know where the tradition of kissing under the mistletoe started. It's time they did.

Dame Elfskeme was no beauty. Even to the other ancient

Britons who were used to seeing their womenfolk painted blue or at least with a touch of wood on their cheeks, she wasn't likely to encourage the newly-landed Romans to do the Sabine bit again.

And Dame Elfskeme knew it. And she didn't like it.

None of the men of the manor, or even the villagers, paid much attention to her except to make rude remarks about her over the second or third jug of mead or ale.

The other ladies of the manor got more than their share of attention.

They were constantly heard in the woods screaming they'd seen a snake or a mouse or a Roman and some ancient Briton — and often a younger one — would rush in and rescue them. But Dame Elfskeme didn't believe about the mice or snakes or Romans because these ladies never rushed out looking frightened, nor were they carried out in a swoon by their rescuers.

The Reason

They invariably came out some considerable time later, looking rather smug and self-satisfied.

None of the incantations or charms she knew were of any use. Even the bits of mistletoe the Druids handed out didn't do much good.

The more she thought about the mistletoe, the more she thought she might have something there.

The Druids said it would ward off evil if it was hung up. Why then shouldn't it attract good?

She got her idea.

The Action

She waited until one very wet December day, the 25th to be exact, when it was too damp to rush about in the woods being scared by Romans or snakes or mice, and then she acted.

She gave a party. She gathered every bit of mistletoe in the manor house and burned it all except one piece.

Then she established a house rule that anyone caught under the mistletoe had to be kissed or pay a forfeit, probably a hand or a head.

The Crisis

Then she hung the only piece remaining right next to the mead table, and sat there all evening.

Every man who was at the party had to come pretty close to Dame Elfskeme or do without mead.

Consequently the men, rather than lose out on the mead, kissed the dame.

Very soon, some of the younger and prettier women found some mistletoe she had overlooked and hung it up.

It was a great party after all.

The Result

Furthermore, it helped to do away with the tedious business of pretending to be scared of things and having to go into the woods.

With the mistletoe thing, you could kiss someone in front of their boyfriend or husband and nobody minded.

Of course it got to be a bit too much of a good thing so it was restricted to the December or rainy season — and that's the way it's been since.

Boy Injured In Collision

Fifteen-year-old William Brian Cane, 478 Vladuet, was admitted to Royal Jubilee Hospital last night with facial injuries after a car in which he was riding was involved in a two-car crash in the 4900 block, West Saanich Road. He was in satisfactory condition.

The injured boy's brother, Michael Allen Cane, was treated for minor injuries and released.



Wondering whether his baby tooth is radioactive from Strontium 90 fallout is David Stevenson, 2974 Irma Street. The six-year-old Grade One pupil at Burnside Elementary School was the

first student here to mail in a tooth for geiger counter tests at the University of Toronto. — (William A. Boucher)

Teeth May Tell Fallout Strength

By JACK FRY

How much radioactive fallout from atmospheric nuclear testing is being accumulated in the bodies of children in Greater Victoria?

The answer to this frightening question might be learned through tests now being conducted at the University of Toronto, if enough school children here are willing to send in their baby teeth for examination.

The Voice of Women, an organization concerned about radiation hazards, has been shipping teeth from all over Canada to Dr. Murray Hunt, a professor of dentistry at the university, whose tests so far show the amount of strontium 90 has been rising since nuclear testing began.

Mrs. Mary Tapp, 1600 Derby Road, is chairman of the Victoria baby tooth survey. "The program has just started, and we hope to get at least 2,000 teeth to send to Dr. Hunt," she said yesterday.

Forms, to which the teeth are to be attached, are available at the Victoria Public Library and through most parent-teacher associations in the area, she said.

Teeth should be mailed along with the forms to Post Office Box 21, Victoria, B.C. They will be mailed to Toronto in lots of 500 by Mrs. Tapp.

The first tooth received for the survey was sent in by David Stevenson, six years, of 2974 Irma — and it almost failed to reach its destination.

His tooth was returned so the Colonist could get a photograph of the tooth and the boy together. Somewhere along

the line, after the picture was taken, the tooth disappeared.

Reporter, photographer, the boy and his mother turned the room upside down and were contemplating shaking the lad by his heels, when someone suggested looking in the waste paper basket.

Envelopes, cigarette butts and all sorts of doodads were pulled from the basket — and there in the bottom lay the shiny, possibly radioactive tooth, which was carefully re-wrapped and sent on its way for analysis under a geiger counter.

New Venture

Sternwheeler To Ply Harbor

A touch of the past will be featured in a new business venture, scheduled to begin operation in Victoria next spring.

In May, Yukon Queen Tours Ltd. will launch a 36-foot stern wheeler, to be called the Beaver, and tour the Inner Harbor and Gorge Waterway.

After FAMED VESSEL Ian Andersen, manager of the newly-formed company, says the tour vessel was named after the second Sa. Beaver, famed Hudson's Bay paddle wheeler which operated in B.C. coastal waters in the 19th century.

The boat is being built in Victoria by McKay-Cormack, and will cost about \$20,000. She will be powered by diesel engines and carry a maximum of 28 passengers.

128 Species Of Birds Spotted

A record 128 species of birds were counted here yesterday by bird watchers of the Victoria Natural History Society.

Among the rarer birds seen were saw-whet owl, one tufted puffin and one eastern bluejay.

Victoria always leads the rest of Canada in the annual December count held in conjunction with National Audubon Society, and set a record of 121 species in 1961. During last year's count, 121 species were sighted.

Curtis:

Wonderland Opposition In Saanich

The main opposition to renewal of the Wonderland lease at Beaver Lake seems to be on Saanich council rather than from the public, Coun. Hugh Curtis said yesterday.

He said he has received numerous comments — all favorable — following his recent announcement he will try to talk council into reconsidering the item which it tabled at its last meeting.

"I don't think anyone is opposed to the Wonderland lease except Saanich council," Coun. Curtis said. "I am looking for a compromise, less land than the 15 acres sought and less time than the five-year lease which the Wonderland operator Alfred Pettersen is asking."

Mr. Pettersen, meanwhile, said he still holds hopes that council will change its mind and that his kiddies' fairyland development will not be forced out of business at Beaver Lake.

Air, Land, Sea

Holiday Runs Begin

Christmas holiday travel services are now in effect on air, coach and ferry transportation systems.

B.C. ferries between Swartz Bay and Tsawwassen will have hourly trips both ways from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. today, tomorrow, Tuesday and Boxing Day.

Regular winter two-hour service will be in effect Christmas Day, and from Dec. 27 on, including New Year's Day.

FOUR EXTRA TRIPS

The Nanaimo-Horseshoe Bay run will have four extra trips each way today, tomorrow, Tuesday and Boxing Day. The same applies to the Horseshoe Bay-Langdale service through Howe Sound.

The regular Tuesday, Friday and Sunday schedule of the Mv Pender Queen will apply Monday, Dec. 23 and Dec. 30.

Trans-Canada Air Lines had three extra flights to and from Vancouver yesterday and will have one extra to Vancouver and Seattle on Tuesday.

There will be three extra flights to Nanaimo Jan. 4, and one extra on Jan. 5, 6 and 7.

Extra transcontinental flights have been landing in Vancouver.

Vancouver Island Coach Lines are putting on extra service to handle traffic between Victoria and Vancouver, Victoria and Nanaimo, and Nanaimo and Vancouver.

NORMAL SCHEDULES

The CPR ferry at Nanaimo, Washington State Ferries at Sidney, and Black Ball, Victoria, will operate only their normal schedules.

Canadian Pacific Air Lines will operate eight extra sections to handle the travel rush to Vancouver from B.C. up coast and interior points.

Airports concerned are Sandspit, Queen Charlotte Islands, Prince Rupert, Fort St. John; Pentticon; Cranbrook and Castlegar.



Big Day for Little Girl

Maria Amorinda, 4, of 1056 Balmoral, spent close to seven hours with Victoria police yesterday. At 12:03 p.m. police were called to 904 McClure to collect Maria, who had followed resident home from Port and Blanshard. Maria spent much of

afternoon with police matron, was given suitable refreshment and a nickel while her description was broadcast. Father, who speaks little English, picked her up at 7:30 p.m. Const. Reginald Knight comforts her during her wait. — (Robin Clarke)

Three Parties, Stores

Santa Kept on Go

Santa Claus had such a busy day here yesterday he probably had to soak his tired feet in hot water last night.

He took in at least three large Christmas parties from early morning to late at night,

and was seen at department stores here during the middle of the day.

Santa was mobbed by 100 boys when he appeared at a YMCA Christmas party for more than 300 boys nine to 13 years of age.

This party ran from 9:30 a.m. to noon, and Santa handed out 78 pounds of candy — with an unusual twist, in that the "X" being a Community Chest agency, the boys all chipped in 10 cents each to buy the candy which Santa gave back to them.

Santa gave presents to 45 children during a Victoria Shrine Club party at the Knights of Pythias Hall on Cormorant Street, about 8 p.m. yesterday.

The Shriners were hosts to 19 Vancouver Island children who are home for Christmas from Shrine crippled children hospitals in Spokane and Portland, and hosts to the patients' brothers, sisters and parents.

Some 75 persons attending the party went through 40 pounds of turkey and 15 pounds of ham. Shriners and their wives held a party of their own later in the evening.

Santa Claus dropped in at the YMCA again during an 8 to 12 p.m. Christmas party for 14-to-18-year-old members of the competitive swimming class and intermediate swimmers. He handed out candy kisses during that visit.

Today, Santa will give presents and refreshments to 77 children of members of 800

Pacific Wing, RCAF Association, during a Christmas party at headquarters, 1212 Quadra Street, at 2:30 p.m.

Heart-Warming Hive

By DON GAIN

A heart-warming hive of humanity yesterday morning was the Surplus Food Stall at the Elks Home on Cormorant Street.

"Just marvelous," is the way convener Mrs. E. E. Harper described the response of Greater Victoria citizens, and then proceeded to show the results.

"A very good Chinese friend gave us these turnips, 800 pounds, and 900 pounds of carrots. Another good friend gave us these cabbages. There's about 600 pounds there."

And so it went.

Deep Freeze

We walked past the deep freeze, full of frozen foods, stopped at boxes filled with apples, beets and other garden vegetables.

"These are from individuals," Mrs. Harper said. "They probably grew them at home."

We stopped at shelves loaded with canned goods.

"There are 540 tins here from the children's Canned Food Matinee of the 700 Block Yates Street."

"Beacon Hill and South Park schools sent in everything you could think of."

She pointed to bread from the bakeries, cookies from the Cosmopolis club, potatoes from the Saanich Farmers' marketing board, sugar sacks from the soft drink bottlers, empty boxes from the liquor store, eggs from the poultry wholesalers.

Whole Idea

"The whole idea is to use up surplus food and give needy people the benefit of it," Mrs. Harper said.

We look after 300 families every three weeks. They are all screened by our welfare

agencies and given a card for their food."

While we talked volunteer workers packed bags, checked lists, loaded and unloaded vehicles.

"We have workers of all ages," Mrs. Harper said. "Young and old, CGIT girls, De Molay boys."

"Individuals are wonderful in their response," she went on. "Some give money and with that I buy stew and ground meat, powdered milk, margarine and rolled oats. I think all young people should eat rolled oats."

"I have a \$100 donation from

Assiniboine Crewmen Home for Christmas

About 90 members of the crew of HMCS Assiniboine, now stationed at Halifax, arrived at Patricia Bay Airport last night, en route to their homes for Christmas.

The sailors, many from Greater Victoria, arrived aboard armed forces aircraft from Shearwater Naval Air

Trees Stolen

Thieves made off with 150 Christmas trees from the lot at Texaco Service Station, 1585 Hillside. Trees were valued at \$75.

City, B.C. Staffs Get Long Holiday

Municipal employees of Greater Victoria join federal and provincial workers this year in enjoying a five-day Christmas holiday.

With two notable exceptions, people working for Victoria, Saanich, Oak Bay and Esquimalt will be on vacation from 5 p.m. Dec. 24 to the morning of Dec. 30.

Exceptions are police and firemen — and while full staffs must be maintained in these departments, some concessions to the holiday have been worked out.

The provincial museum closes Dec. 24 at 5 p.m. and reopens Dec. 28 for the day, then is open Dec. 29 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. For New Year's it closes from 5 p.m. Dec. 31 to Jan. 2.

Downtown liquor stores will close at 6 p.m. instead of the usual 11 p.m. Christmas and New Year's Eve.

The Victoria Public Library will close at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, reopening at 9 a.m. Friday and will again close at 5:30 Tuesday Dec. 31 and reopen at 9 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 2.

School Holidays Start

More than 33,000 university and public school students on southern Vancouver Island will start their Christmas holidays Monday, returning to classes Jan. 6.

University buildings will be open to students until 1 p.m. Dec. 24 and will re-open at 8:30 a.m. Dec. 30. They will close for New Year's Day.

Women Snobs?

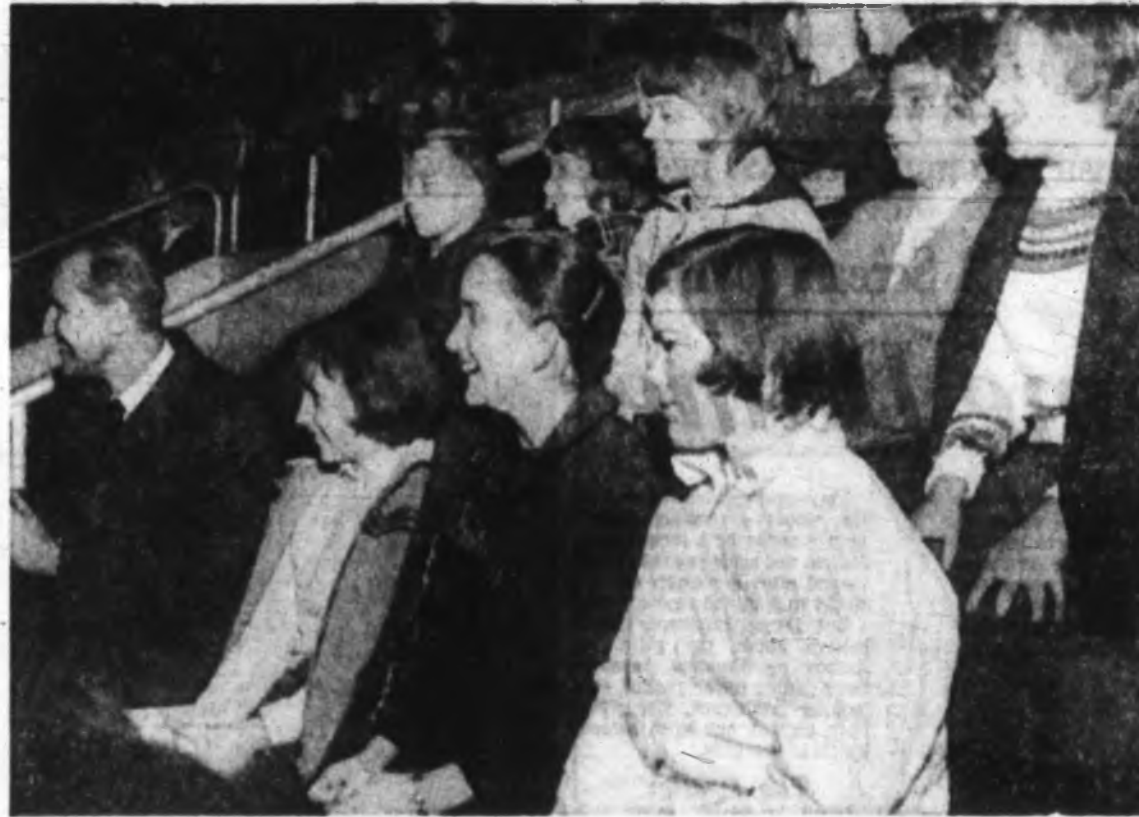
PARIS (Reuters)—Inexpensive Christmas presents from luxury boutiques are selling better than expensive items purchased from Paris department stores.

Directors from the house of Christian Dior, couture boutiques and specialized gift stores recently met for a round-table discussion on Christmas shopping.

They agreed the average woman would prefer the \$1.20 pottery ashtray, the least expensive item in the Dior boutique, to an article from a department store costing three times that amount.

"Both the donors and recipients are becoming increasingly snobbish. Women prize the label and gift wrapping from a fashionable shop as much as the gift itself."

Several of the top salesmen in Paris agree women clients are easier to serve if they are shopping alone. Two women shopping together take twice as long to make up their minds. Three women out Christmas shopping are regarded as a "sheer disaster."



A birthday party for Helen Ohrt was combined with a holiday party and an occasion for her to entertain her friends at the sparkling Ice Capades show at the Arena. Mr. Derek Todd drove the girls to the show and stayed to see it too. Front row, left to right, Mr. Todd, Grania Learoyd, Helen

Ohrt and Linda Bapty. Second row, left to right, Michael Todd, Debbie Todd, Carolyn Penn, Etelka Murdoch and Barbie Harris. Young Miss Ohrt is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ohrt of 2056 Granite Street.—(Bud Kinsman)

Mme. Vanier Gives Coat

MONTREAL (CP)—Mme. Vanier, wife of Canada's governor-general, while on a tour here of shelter for homeless and destitute men noticed a young social worker standing in the cold with only a rayon dress on.

Mme. Vanier offered her own sealskin coat, saying: "You must be cold. Please take my coat. I'm wearing a suit as well."



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PERSONAL MENTION

The Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. G. R. Pearkes will give a Christmas party at Government House for the aides-de-camp, wives and families on Monday, Dec. 23. Christmas Day His Honor and Mrs. Pearkes will have a family Christmas dinner at Government House. Mr. and Mrs. John Pearkes, Anthony and Timothy, will be spending Christmas with them.

Friday, Dec. 27, the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Pearkes will give a Christmas reception at Government House.

Traditional English Dinner

Some 130 guests are expected to take part in the traditional English festive dinner Christmas Day at Olde England Inn. Following the dinner will be the Boar's Head Procession, Yule Log ceremony, and reading of the Proclamation by the Major Domo with his 17th century beadle staff. Costumed wenches and acollions will complete the scene.

Among those making reservations for the gala affair are Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Walbridge, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Holme, and guests; Miss H. S. Davis and guests; Mr. and Mrs. D. Wright and guests; Miss Anne Cook and guests; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Threlfall; Mr. and Mrs. F. Bolton; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Martin; Mrs. Howard D. De Beck and guests; Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Seale; Miss Vivian H. Pugh and guests; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hartley; Cmdr. and Mrs. H. J. F. Makovski and guests; Mr. and Mrs. T. Cochrane, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Norton; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Raymond; Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Milligan, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Anderson and guests; Mr. and Mrs. Allan G. Sutton; Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Wilford and guests; Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Veres; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Page and guests; Capt. and Mrs. D. McFarlane; Mrs. R. B. Fisher and guests; Lieut. Cmdr. R. Newstead and guests; Mr. and Mrs. F. Cowie; Mr. and Mrs. J. Shearer; Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Ulloch; Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Howatt; Mr. and Mrs. N. Benson, and Mr. and Mrs. G. Grey and guests.

Visitors from Winnipeg

Senator and Mrs. T. A. Cramer of Winnipeg are expected to arrive in Victoria for Christmas. They will be guests at the Empress Hotel along with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Naylor, also of Winnipeg, who arrived earlier in the week.

Home for Christmas

Miss Marilyn Smith arrived by air from San Francisco where she has been nursing for the past five years, to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Stewart Smith, 408 Vancouver Street.

Christmas at Salt Spring

Miss Helen Ruckle and G. Henry Ruckle, Victoria, will spend the Christmas week with their people at Beaver Point, Mr. and Mrs. G. Ruckle, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ruckle.

Pulford-Arlett

Festive Greenery In Her Bouquet

White chrysanthemums flanked the altar at St. George's Martyr Church, Cadboro Bay, yesterday afternoon for the pretty pre-Christmas wedding uniting in marriage Jillian Rhuna Arlett and Edward Lloyd Pulford.

Rev. Dr. N. S. Noel officiated for the daughter of Mrs. Rhuna Arlett, Ocean View Terrace Apartments, 2707 Estevan Avenue, and the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pulford. Mr. Timothy Vernon, organist, played Jerusalem during the wedding.

Given in marriage by Mr. Albert C. Bain, the fair-haired bride was lovely in an exquisite floor-length gown of white peau de soie with full skirt. A softly pleated cummerbund enhanced the classic bodice fashioned with tiny shoulder straps and topped by a French lace short jacket in five-button front style with scoop neckline and lily point sleeves. Her full length bridal veil misted from a dainty tiara. Red carnations and festive greenery were in her Christmas bouquet.

Miss Nanna Fibiger as bridesmaid chose a pale pink peau de soie gown with belled skirt and scooped neckline. She wore matching headpiece and shoes en tone.

Mr. David Walker was best man.

At a reception held later at the Estevan Avenue home of the bride's grandparents, Major and Mrs. R. T. Osborne, the bride's table was decorated in the festive motif featuring silk.

SAYS GO SLOW

A UN Food and Agriculture Organization expert has recommended that Saudi Arabia slow down the introduction of power farm machinery.

Raise Flag

MONTREAL (CP)—Rita Letendre, 34-year-old artist of Iroquois descent who spent the last year and a half painting in Europe, says a Canadian flag was raised in her honor in Italy when she won a prize in an art competition.



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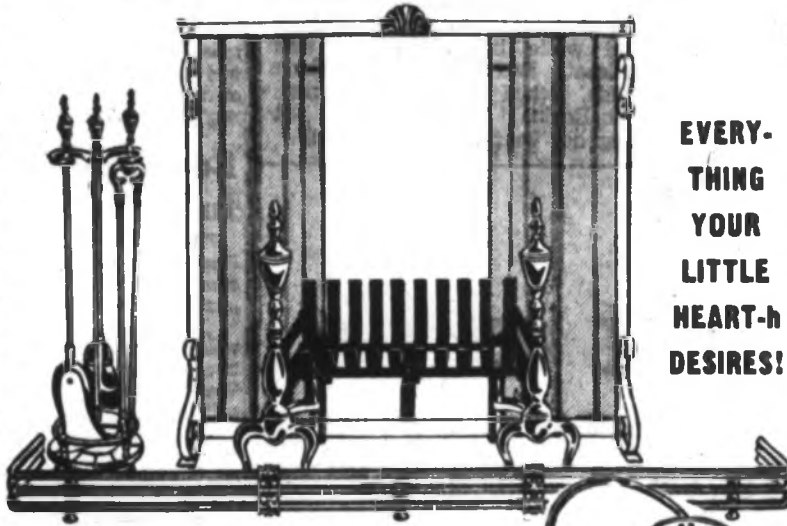
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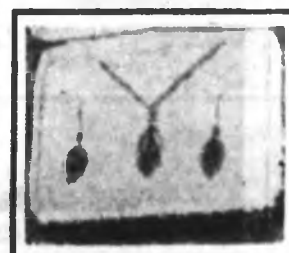


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Mrs. Graham Harris, services at home and abroad convenor, was authorized to spend \$50 to complete the hampers with turkeys and other trimmings.

A gift of a length of dress material was also forwarded to a young girl in Malta, assisted by the Chapter on other occasions.

The IOOE (campaign to have the Red Ensign officially accepted as Canada's flag) received special attention and stickers and pamphlets, designed to bring the issue before the public, were distributed to the members.

Mrs. J. W. Dalgleish reported gross proceeds from the sale of coffee at Oak Bay Junior High night classes totalled \$145 for the fall season.

Mrs. John S. White, educational secretary, instituted a reading award at the Chapter's adopted school at Telkwa, B.C. The sum of \$50 was also voted to purchase art books for the library at University of Victoria.

Miss Peggy Dodimead, formerly of Chilliwack, was welcomed as a new member.

Festive Christmas refreshments were provided by Miss Peggy MacNeill.

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Electric trains used to take all the attention (usually father's most of all) but this year it's the cars on the freeway and the drag-strip that act like a magnet for the boys and youths who visit department store Toylands. Front row are Pat Fisher, Mike Kissinger, Al

Leard, Chris Connolly and Derick Davis. Back row the bigger boys, even more fascinated, are Ron Young, John Dempster, Ron McNeil and John Rose.



All the wonderful things about Christmas are expressed on little Ricky Seely's face. So excited was the one-and-a-half year old, that out on a shopping spree with his parents, he climbed right into a department store display to find out if the "children" were real. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Seely of Whitehorse, Yukon. They are in town for Christmas with Mrs. Seely's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brasseur of Dorchester Apartments.



Brian Townsend, three-and-a-half year old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Townsend of 1015 Queens Avenue, was a little overawed by Santa Claus. He couldn't quite bring himself to adopt a familiar attitude with that famous gentleman from the far, far North. No doubt they'll be firm friends when Santa comes down the chimney Christmas Eve.

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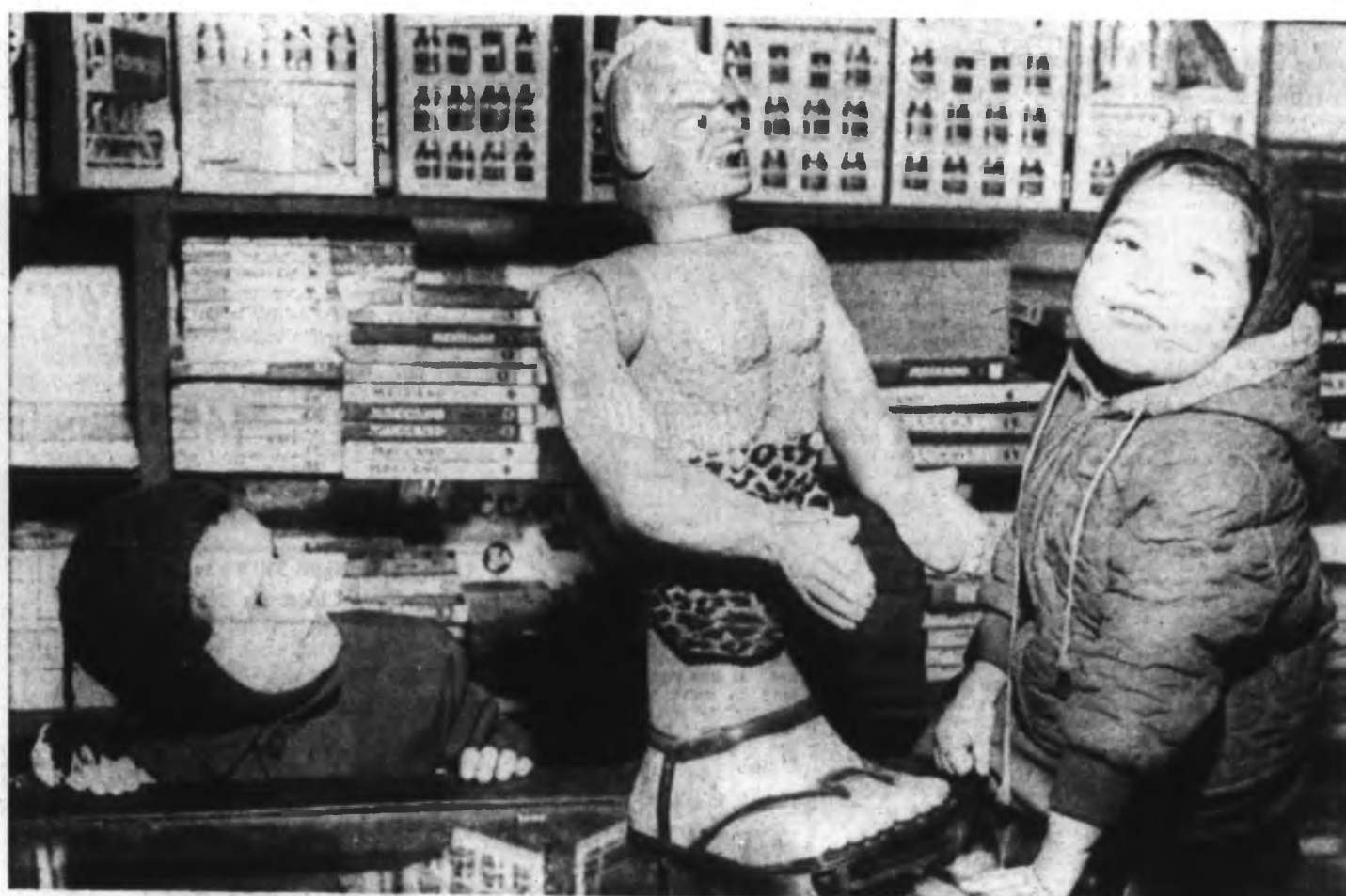


Mr. and Mrs. Wing Mark of 2582 Wesley took their three little ones to Toyland. It was easy to get in, but hard to get out, the children had so much fun riding the hobby horses they didn't want to leave.

Left to right are Roger, age three, Richard, five, and sweet little Garland, pigtail flying, who is just four.



Well a girls' best friend is still her doll and the beauties in Toyland attract little girls of all ages. Jo Anne, six and Jackie, 10, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon LaRoy of 2624 Mt. Stephen Avenue tried holding several armfuls, including a huge cuddly dog.



It's hard to say if the big animated toy on the counter was from outer space, or from some dim, distant past, but he didn't frighten Debbie age five (left) or Sandy age three, when they were visit-

ing Toyland with their mother, Mrs. Rex Cox of 169 Island Highway.

Card-Speller

Attendants Wear Cherry Velvet

Myrna Lynne Speller became the bride of Mr. Ronald Wayne Card at a pretty pre-Christmas wedding in St. Andrew's Cathedral yesterday afternoon.

Rev. D. F. Johnston officiated for the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. William Speller and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Card of New Westminster.

Miss Marguerite McKay was best man and ushers were organist.

The bride wore an exquisitely fashioned gown of pure ribbed silk which was embellished with

Ateneon lace roses and encrusted with seed pearls. The controlled front panel of the skirt extended into a full train, held at the back waistline with a self-fabric bow. Her chapel-length nylon tulle veil misted from a lace petal coronet and she carried a bouquet of red

roses and ivy. Mr. Speller gave his daughter in marriage a royal cherry red velvet gown, blue Blin and Blin skirt with white accessories and white fur complementing Irish tweed hats and muffs trimmed with jacket.

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Pictured are three smart skiing styles for 1964 that will undoubtedly garner favor from the sports-minded on the hills of Innsbruck. Models left and centre wear stretch-slim pants

with sweater tops, while girl at right is dressed in utility ski suit modelled after popular army battle-dress blouse or tunic, with stretch-slim matching ski pants.—(Fednews)

Mr. McAlister Shows Rare Haida Carvings

The B.C. Indian Arts and Welfare Society held its annual Christmas party in the Dominion Hotel and featured carol singing by the pupils of Miss Gladys Pearcey. The refreshment table was presided over by Mrs. A. N. Beattie and Mrs. G. Howland.

At a short business meeting in the Music Room of the Library preceding the party, Mr. D. McAlister displayed a few items from his collection of Haida argillite carvings. One item was a carved box of an extremely rare type. It was pictured in the Illustrated London News when Mr. McAlister showed his collection a few years ago. He said that among European art critics Haida carvings are considered the finest primitive art in the world. Mr. McAlister could easily sell his collection in the United States, but says it belongs in Canada.

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The girl's mother is making arrangements for a church wedding and it appears they plan to go all out. Since the girl has this bad limp, don't you feel it would be better taste if they had a modified ceremony and not the traditional one where the bride walks down the aisle on her father's arm? She could come from the side of the pulpit and be spared public display of her handicap.

My husband says he doesn't want to get involved in this. Do you feel I should mention it to my son, to the girl or to her mother? They are accustomed to the girl's limp so naturally they do not see it as others do. A word from some one objective, such as myself, seems in order.

Please advise. — MOTHER OF THE GROOM.

Dear Mother: Keep quiet and let the bride and her mother make whatever wedding plans they wish. The girl deserves a great deal of credit for adjusting to her problem. In my opinion you are more handicapped than she is.

Dear Ann Landers: I am a secretary to a wealthy and prominent business man. My work-load is tremendous, but because I'm a conscientious person I manage to keep current by coming in early and working late.

The problem is the boss' wife. She waltzes in three or four times a week and says, "Write a letter to so-and-so," and then she begins to dictate. Some days I spend two hours on her social and organizational letter-writing. By rights this woman should hire a private secretary.

My boss has a partner who also has a wife, but she never comes near the office nor would she dream of taking advantage of his secretary this way.

What should I do? Complain to my boss? Complain to the boss' partner? Or quit? I love my job but this woman is too much for me.—BURNED UP.

Dear Burned Up: You may well be invited to do just that after

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Batch
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Ten young Victorians made their social debut recently when Mrs. R. Overbeck, 4149 Interurban Road, entertained at a reunion tea in honor of the May-June, 1963, VON prenatal class. Mrs. H. Slots was co-hostess.

Assisting with refreshments were Mrs. H. B. Crowe and the Misses Diane Overbeck and Shelly Diakow.

Miss Betty Short, VON class instructor, was special guest. Other guests were Mrs. R. Willey with daughter Kim Melanie; Mrs. W. Hausberg and son Hodrick Terje; Mrs. G. Allen and Therese Lynn; Mrs. B. Adams and Brian James; Mrs. L. Eastwood and Glen Davis; Mrs. R. Knapp and Dale Benton; Mrs. K. Reid with Kenneth William, and Mrs. D. Pemberton with Brenda Suzanne. Among the young guests were Terri Lynn Slots and Robert Coupar Overbeck.



These 10 young Victorians who will see their first Christmas Wednesday morning are pictured here at a recent reunion for their mothers. Shown from left to right, front row, are Glen Davis Eastwood, Kenneth

William Reid, Terri Lynn Slots, Dale Benton Knapp, Brian James Adam; second row, Brenda Suzanne Pemberton, Robert Coupar Overbeck, Kim Melanie Willey, Therese Lynn Allen and Rodrick Terje Hausberg.

Four in 1964

Storks Will Work in Relays
To Deliver Royal Babies

By MARGARET SAVILLE. LONDON (UPI)—Storks will be working practically in relays delivering British royal babies early next year.

First anticipated delivery will be the nation's most newly married royal lady, 26-year-old Princess Alexandra (she'll be 27 on Christmas Day). The baby is expected in late January or early February.

The next baby due will be the highest-ranking — the fourth child of Queen Elizabeth, its arrival is expected in late February or early March. Expected royal baby No. 3 is due to be born in late April or thereabouts to Katharine, the Duchess of Kent. It will be her second child.

A fourth royal child will make its wordly debut in 1964, as the offspring of Princess Margaret.

Britons had anticipated a second birth by Margaret almost ever since she had her first child two years ago, and there have been a number of premature reports that she was pregnant.

She and her husband Lord Snowdon, former photographer Antony Armstrong-Jones, would like a child in '64 to keep their little son Viscount Linley company.

Princess Alexandra, in having her baby some 10-11 months after her marriage, is following in the tradition of Britain's royals who have their children early — although in this century not as often as did Queen Victoria, mother of nine.

The princess was married on April 24 this year to Angus Ogilvy, Scottish-descended London businessman of the House of Airlie. She is known as Princess Alexandra, Mrs. Angus Ogilvy, since her husband has no title. Their untitled child will be, briefly, 13th in line of succession to the throne. When the Duchess of Kent's child is born Alexandra's will become 14th in line — and 15th when the Queen's new baby comes.

Katharine, Duchess of Kent, is Alexandra's sister-in-law. She wed the Duke of Kent in 1961 and their first child, the Earl St. Andrews, is 18 months old. This child will carry the title of "Lord" if a boy, "Lady" if a girl and be 12th in line of succession until the Queen's baby is born and moves it down one place.

Queen Elizabeth's child will carry the title of Prince or

Princess. If it's a boy he will become third in line of succession behind the Queen's other sons, Prince Charles, the heir to the throne who is 15, and Prince Andrew, who will be fourth next Feb. 19. A girl child would be fourth in line, coming behind her sister, 13-year-old Princess Anne.

All four mothers-to-be, influenced by the theories of the royal gynecologist, Sir John Peel, go through their pregnancies without too much fuss. Sir John's idea is to "leave it to nature as much as possible" and the royal ladies do. They lead normal activities virtually up to the day of delivery. All practise relaxation exercises which include brisk daily walks. There are no strict diets except an avoidance of rich foods and abstinence from alcohol.

In the case of the queen, all her official engagements have been cancelled but her private life has undergone little restriction since it was announced she was expecting. She has gone privately to the theatre with her husband, husband, Prince Philip, and still goes for walks, visits and entertains friends, drives her own car on the Windsor grounds at weekends, and in practically all respects adheres to her normal schedule, including daily desk work on state papers.

Elizabeth's child will be born at Buckingham Palace and probably in the specially-prepared Belgian Suite where Andrew was born in 1960. Most of her maternity clothes, designed by Norman Hartnell, are remodelled left-overs from when she was carrying Andrew. Princess Alexandra is thought to want to have her

baby at home in "Thatched Cottage," the house she and Ogilvy bought in Richmond Park, a London suburb. But she might also have it in Kings College Hospital or even at the home of her mother Princess Marina in Kensington Palace. Medical advice at the time probably will determine the place of delivery.

There is even more speculation about where the 30-year-old Duchess of Kent's child will be born. She and the Duke currently are in Hong Kong, where he is serving with his regiment, but are returning for Christmas.

In February the Duke is to go with the regiment to Germany to which it has been posted and the Duchess has said she will accompany him. If she does and the baby is born there, it will be the first child of British royal line to be born abroad in more than 200 years.

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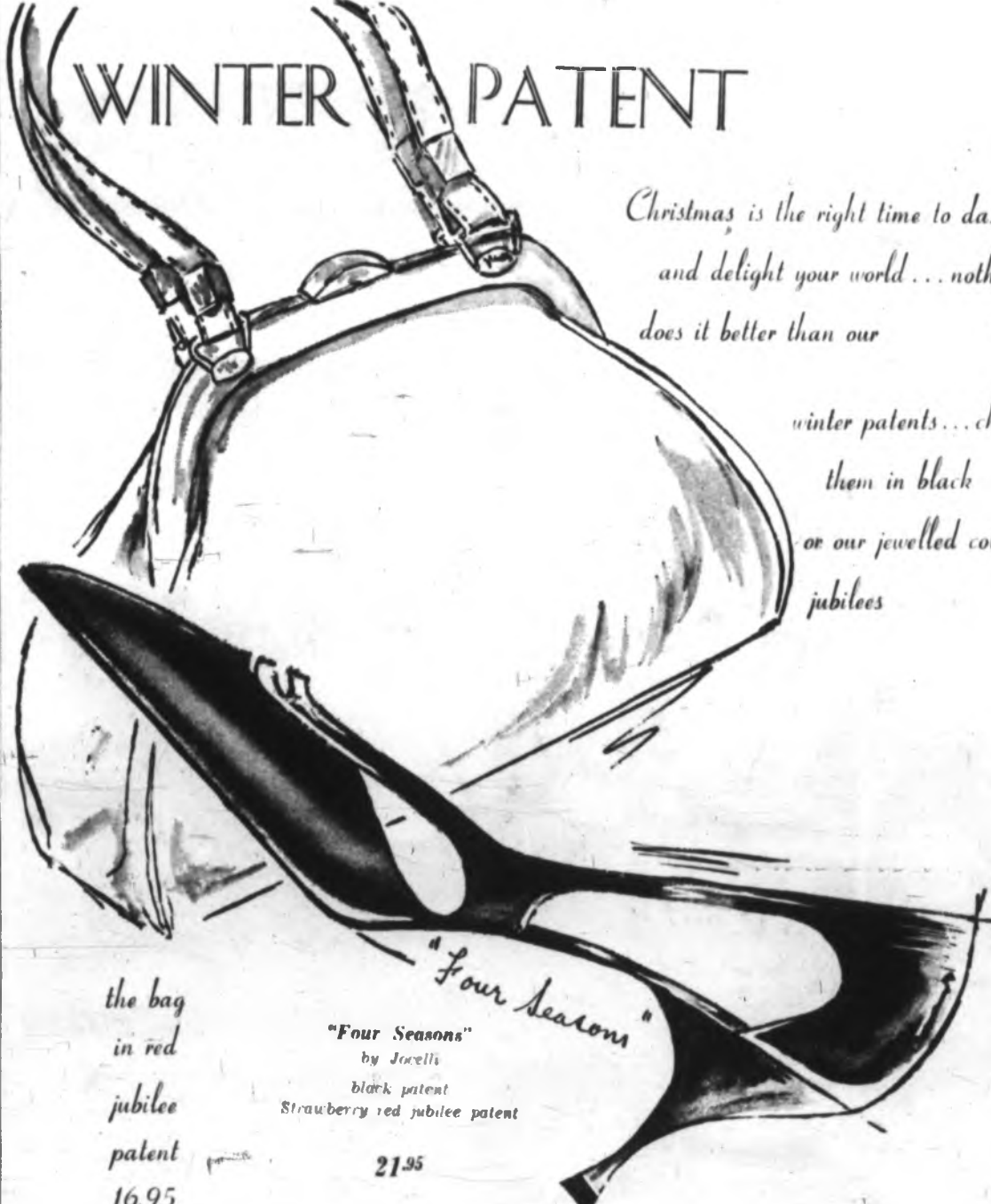
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Hawaiian Trip For Newlyweds



Mr. and Mrs. John Clifford Easter, pictured following their recent marriage at First Baptist Church, will leave for Eastern Nigeria on Saturday, Dec. 28, where Mr. Easter will assume his new duties as a high school principal. The bride is the former Martha Agnes Worthy, daughter of Mrs. W. L. Worthy, 1826 Belmont Avenue, and the late Mr. Worthy, and the groom is the son of Rev. G. R. Easter, Preston, Ont., and formerly of Victoria, and the late Mrs. Easter. The young couple will spend Christmas with the bride's mother before leaving for their new home.—(Campbell Studio)

Mr. and Mrs. Gary John Webb left for a two-week honeymoon in Hawaii following their marriage yesterday afternoon at First Baptist Church, Vancouver.

Dr. J. Gordon Jones performed the double-ring ceremony for the former Vera Joan Livesey, daughter of Mr. E. E. Livesey and Mrs. Adella Frances Livesey, both of Vancouver, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Webb, 3329 Keats Street, Victoria.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a floor-length gown en train of white French peau de sole styled with three-quarter-length sleeves and boat neckline. Her short bouffant veil misted from a matching peau de sole pillbox headpiece. She carried a Christmas bouquet of red roses with festive greenery.

Miss Diana Livesey as her sister's maid of honor, and bridesmaids, the Misses Diane Wiper and Wendy Hocking of

Victoria, wore A-line short style gowns in red velvet and matching headpieces. They carried white chrysanthemums.

Mr. John Hadfield, of Victoria was best man. Mr. Hubert Williston and Mr. Daniel Seberg, groom's cousins, both of Victoria, were ushers.

A reception followed in the Faculty Club at University of British Columbia.

For travelling the bride chose a red wool suit and walking coat with lynx hat and muff and red accessories.

On their return from Hawaii Mr. and Mrs. Webb will make their home at 1625 West 11th Avenue, Vancouver.

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Reads Old Message

CHEMAINUS—Mrs. Robert Milligan read a 33-year-old Christmas message written by Mrs. M. B. Robinson, former member of Porter Chapter of IOOE, at the recent meeting of Arbutus Chapter of IOOE held at the home of Mrs. Richard McBride.

Mrs. K. V. Lopatecki read an article on General de Gaulle, and on the separatist movement in Quebec.

Mrs. George Robinson reported that 123 pounds of dusters were sold to District 67 School Board and asked the members to continue collecting these dusters.

Winners of the recently completed bridge tournament, from which \$65 was realized and added to the chapter's bursary fund, were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jay, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs.

Edward McNaught and Mr. and Mrs. R. Jay.

Mrs. F. R. Sadd read an article on the opening of the Indian Centre in Vancouver which was supported by the local chapter.

Annual voluntary contribution at Christmas was sent to the Unitarian Society Children's Aid in Vancouver this year.

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Garden Notes

Mellow Manure Best

By M. V. CHESNUT, FRHS

DIET FOR STRAWBERRIES — (A. A. M. Esquimaux). I don't think you can beat mellow old rotted manure for the basic nourishment of strawberries, for these plants demand a high level of humus in the soil. Chemical fertilizers alone, lacking bulk and humus-forming properties, are not too successful.

However, once the strawberry patch has been given its annual dressing of old, strawy manure, you might treat your plants to a little dessert in the way of chemicals — you know, rather like making the children clean up all the meat and potatoes on their plates before giving them any ice cream.

If you prefer a dry fertilizer, I find Vigoro Rose Food works well on strawberries — it doesn't encourage too much leaf growth at the expense of fruit, as do many of the fertilizers formulated for lawn use. Scatter between the plants at the rate of one cupful per square yard. If you like a soluble fertilizer, use either liquid fish or liquid seaweed, one tablespoon-

ful a gallon, applied with a watering can at the rate of half a gallon per running yard of strawberry row, wetting both roots and leaves.

REPOTTING HOUSEPLANTS — (D. G. Victoria). It shouldn't be necessary to repot established houseplants oftener than every two years, but I think it pays to give them a top-dressing in the in-between years. This means scratching away as much of the old surface soil as can be removed without disturbing any roots and replacing it with fresh, manure-enriched soil.

At repotting time, whether or not the plant will require a bigger container will depend upon the condition of the roots. When a plant seems to be using an unusual amount of water, it is usually a sign the pot is filled with roots, and this can be confirmed by knocking the plant out of its pot for examination.

If the roots are found to be running around the inside wall of the pot, a larger container is required. Scratch a little of the old soil away with a kitchen fork and tease a few

of the root ends free from the ball before repotting in fresh soil and a bigger pot.

FERN RUNNERS — (J. M. F. Brentwood Bay). Those furry brown "strings" growing out of your houseplant fern are runners. Some ferns propagate themselves in this way, in much the same fashion as strawberry runners. It doesn't affect the health of the parent plant to remove them and, as they certainly detract from the fern's appearance, they should be snipped off at their point of origin.

However, if you would like to try your hand at propagation, you could peg down one of these runners in a nearby pot of soil, while still attached to the mother plant, and with any luck, a baby fern will grow.

The thicker brown "cords" growing out of the upper stem of a cut-leaf Philodendron are quite different. These are aerial roots, by which in nature the plant clings to the bark of a supporting tree. These too may be removed without injury to the plant.

STANTON DELAPLANE's Postcard from Japan

Appease Spirits, Keep Face

KYOTO — Kyoto is the antique capital of Japan. It is full of famous shrines and is one of the great places to visit.

It is good for luck, too. For shrines are built to honor some gods and appease others.

At year's end, we go to Yasaka shrine for some of the sacred fire lighted at daybreak. Eat rice cooked over this fire. You will be free of illness for an entire year. Not even a cold.

I have a cold. Likewise am full of cholera shots. I wish I had some rice from that fire right now. But must make do with Kleenex until the end of the year.

All objects in Japan have spirits and must be appeased.

Pretty soon we will have a Buddhist ceremony for the eels that have been eaten during the year.

Recently we had Broken Needle Day. We set up little

altars of three steps. All needles broken during the year were stuck in soft bean curd — (to give them a soft rest) — and put on the altar.

We will also honor the silkworm who spun and perished to make your shirts. The silkworms are honored at Asakusa Kwannon Temple.

I think the silkworms should hold a ceremony honoring the nylon industry. It has saved a lot of worms. I imagine they are grateful.

Face is important. You personal face and your company has company face.

If you lose personal face, the company loses company face. And vice versa.

The other evening I saw several Japanese gentlemen at a party.

They had gotten out of their Western clothing and had put on the kimono-like garment that hotels issue to you.

The waitresses sat with them and poured their sake. The waitresses were anxious for them to be happy. They urged them to dance.

The gentlemen danced with the waitresses. But when they finished, they staggered off the floor as though they were boiled to the eyes.

This proved they were dead drunk — to the bystanders.

My waitress explained to me: "If he drunk, no can lose face."

You are not responsible for what you do while drinking. I didn't dance. Cold sober and plenty of face.

Students come here by the bus load to see the shrines and the old Imperial Palace.

Rosy-cheeked country girls in middy blouses with melon faces. School boys dressed in black uniforms that button at the neck.

They come by the hundreds. By the thousands.

Japanese school children are always on the move.

How are you sleeping these nights? My hotel bed is pointed with the pillow to the south.

"Must never sleep with head to north," says the hotel maid.

Bad spirits come from the north. The worst bad spirit from the north is the ghost of the white rabbit — and I don't mean Alice-in-Wonderland.

This is a BAD rabbit. When he comes libberty-lopperty out of the north, watch out!

If you are having bad luck, change the location of the bathroom. "One time man have bad luck. He work hard but cannot get money, ne? He change benio to other place. Now he rich man."

Oh, another thing. If you whistle in the dark, you will whistle up a snake. It's a difficult country and you have to be on guard all the time.

The World of SHEILAH GRAHAM

Churchill Film Cast

HOLLYWOOD (NANA) — Top level casting: Albert Finney to play the young Winston Churchill in Carl Foreman's \$7,000,000 film on the early manhood of the great statesman; and Sir Ralph Richardson or Michael

Redgrave to play his father, Lord Randolph Churchill. I have a hunch that Sir Winston's "Darling Clementine" will be Susannah York.

The mother of Sue (Lolita) Lyon is not exactly jumping for joy over the imminent marriage of her 17-year-old Sue with the young actor or writer — no one seems to be sure — Hampton Fancher III. She would prefer her daughter to wait until she is somewhat older and until the third Mr. Fancher is more sure of his future.

Robert Goulet will take his daughter Nicoletta and his mother to Las Vegas for the holidays, to spend them with wife Carol Lawrence, who will be performing in the gambling city. "Trouble in our marriage?" says Robert, raising his eyebrows an octave higher. "Now why would anyone say anything like that? It seems that several people have insinuated trouble, chiefly because the Goulets' careers have kept them apart a great deal since their marriage. According to Robert, who is too new at the game to be deceptive, everything is fine.

Frank and Eleanor Perry, who wrote and directed David and Lisa and Ladybug, Ladybug, were trying to account for the story that their marriage was in trouble. "I was in Europe and Frank took a young friend of ours to dinner," said Eleanor. "I guess that did it." This is the penalty people pay for being famous.

Bob Newhart, who is a bit on the intellectual side, will portray an intellectual beach bum in Muscle Beach for Marty Bamashoff. I hope he won't have to grow over-developed muscles. I don't like them.

Charlie Chaplin went to London, then Paris to pick up his 18-year-old daughter Geraldine and take her back home to Switzerland. Geraldine wants to be a famous ballerina. She has studied in London and Paris. Chaplin would like her to forget the whole thing. He is afraid that as his daughter, Geraldine will have a tough struggle to reach the heights. If she is good she'll make it; if she isn't she won't.

Remember the classic fight between Anne Bancroft and Patty Duke as the spoilt young Helen Keller in The Miracle Workers? Man, you haven't seen anything until you see Anne beating up Peter Finch in their current picture The Pumpkin Eater. "I want this to be very realistic," said director Jack Clayton to Anne. "No holds barred, you hate this man." And to Peter. "Defend yourself as best you can." He was kicked, scratched, beaten and bruised. Miss Bancroft belongs to the realistic school of acting. They wisely saved this scene for the last.

What I don't understand department. Why do stars like Jayne Mansfield and Mamie Van Doren pose in the nude, then use those girly magazines for using the photographs? It's a free country and no one says you must pose in your birthday suit. Jayne's defence was that she had posed for the pictures for foreign viewing only. Why should foreigners be favored — or punished?

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Business District 'Madhouse'

"Are we busy? It's a madhouse!" was the comment of A. C. Neuert, sales promotion manager for one downtown department store which seemed to sum up the Christmas shopping situation for Victoria merchants.

The Victoria Parking Commission's lots on Yates and

View streets were reported very busy, being close to full most of the day and once or twice the "full" signs went out briefly.

Mr. Neuert thought Saturday saw the shopping peak reached and business was up to and beyond expectations. This year there are bigger

crowds and the presents being bought are bigger, too.

Big toys and wheel goods are selling well.

Christmas lights are as popular as ever and the store sold out of outdoor lights and had to get more from Vancouver. Indoor lights were going fast with an estimated 30 per cent increase in sales.

Business compared very well with last year, a spokesman for another store said, considering 1962, Victoria's centenary, was a "bumper year."

A third store's manager said business was "booming" and expected the impetus to be maintained until Christmas.

His store is running almost three shifts and some employees are working from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. unpacking and restocking.

Traditional Christmas presents were being sold in great quantities all over town, but there was also a great interest in pets.

Birds are proving popular and besides the usual budgies and finches people were buying Java Temple birds, doves, and even quail which are fine "bottom" birds, good scavengers for outdoor aviaries.

With Christmas only three days away, people were buying

37 Hurt In Train Wrecks

COON RAPIDS, Iowa (AP) — Union Pacific trains were involved in two train wrecks yesterday in which 37 people were injured.

At Rock Springs, Wyoming, a streamliner jammed with holiday travellers ran into the wreckage of a derailed freight train injuring at least 12 persons and streaking railroad cars over the snow-covered plains.

FAST EXPRESS

And, at Coon Rapids, the fast express "City of Los Angeles" jumped the tracks while travelling at 79 miles an hour toppling two of the cars on its side and injuring 23 passengers. Six of the injured were taken to hospital but none was seriously hurt.

Most of the passengers were sleeping when the accident occurred.

Jinxed Tug On Bottom

VANCOUVER (CP) — The 40-foot tug, Our Best, has ended an unlucky year on the bottom of Howe Sound.

It will stay there.

The \$13,000 tug sank after catching fire Thursday. Skipper Dave McDonald, 26, was rescued, but Ed Rhodes, 42, the mate is missing.

In January McDonald cut loose a \$250,000 scow to rescue a member of the crew who had fallen from the barge. In August a fishboat collided with the barge's tow line and was crushed by the barge it was towing. Two men were killed.



LADY BIRD
... official



KING OF TORTS
... mysterious

Names in the News

Christmas Concerts Ban Laughing, Biting Realists

REDWOOD FALLS, Minn. — Joy made such an ass of himself he's been banned from Christmas tableaux in local schools.

Joy, a burro, let loose with a raucous heehaw while a high school choir was in the middle of a solemn nativity number. A pair of sheep also are exiled because they bleated out of context and one nipped a youthful shepherd.

"We're done with livestock," said Mrs. Arthur Lorenz, who had added live animals for realism.

DALLAS — Melvin (King of Torts) Belli, San Francisco lawyer who will lead Jack Ruby's defence, arrived with a mystery bodyguard who said he was not with the FBI or secret service, but declined other details. Ruby is in court Monday on a bid for bail.

WASHINGTON — Mrs. Lady Bird Johnson issued the official portrait for her 51st birthday day.

WASHINGTON — The 30-day official mourning period for John F. Kennedy ends just after sundown, when President Johnson presides a button lighting the White House Christmas tree. Two hours earlier, a torch from Kennedy's grave will be taken to the Lincoln Memorial where thousands of candles will be set aglow in a memorial service.

MINNEAPOLIS — Lawyers for T. Eugene Thompson, 36, a lawyer himself, filed a notice of appeal in the district court where he was convicted Dec. 6 of the slaying of his wife Carol, 34.

HOUSTON — Herm Bering, a Christmas tree dealer, believes every family should have one. He is offering a tree to anybody who can't afford to buy one. It's the 24th year he has offered free trees.

HOLLYWOOD — Dragnet star Jack Webb, brought in early this year to boss Warner Brothers television, has been fired. His big ideas were a re-vamping of 77 Sunset Strip and the new Temple Houston, both flopped.

VANCOUVER — For the first time in memory here a woman is facing trial for permitting an abortion to be performed on herself. Charged is Mrs. Kathleen Sullivan, 30.

ST. LOUIS — Former president Harry Truman says he opposes a plan to lower the U.S. voting age to 18. He says: "They don't have enough sense to vote at 21. It would be better at 24."

Toronto Man Dead in Greece

ATHENS, Greece (UPI) — Authorities said Saturday they were investigating the death of a Canadian, Alexander Shaiko, who was found floating off the coast 10 miles south of here.

Police said Shaiko had a bag around his neck which contained stones and an open pen knife. His passport was issued while he lived in Toronto, but said he was born in Odessa, Russia. Visas recovered from his belongings, indicated he had visited Moscow and Zurich.

BILDS REFINERY — Denmark has built a second oil refinery capable of refining 20,000 barrels, or 3,120 tons, of raw oil daily.

ABERDEEN, S.D. — The Andrew Fischers took the last two of their new babies out of hospital, which means all five of the quints are home for Christmas.

ALGERS — Red China's Premier Chou En-lai was met by President Ben Bella as he began the second leg of his journey to win friends in Africa. State security kept onlookers well back.

NEW YORK — Bookstore owner Irwin Weisfeld and clerk John Downs were freed on \$10 bail each pending appeals of their convictions for selling the 19th-century novel Fanny Hill to a teen-ager.

LOS ANGELES — Comedian Bob Hope left by air for Ankara, Turkey, where he plans to join the other members of his annual Christmas tour to entertain U.S. servicemen. His eye ailment is clearing up.

OTTAWA — Social Credit MP Bert Lebow of the Cariboo complained in the Commons it isn't easy to shave in the new Winnipeg air terminal. He searched the washroom and other sections for an outlet for an electric razor and finally found one in the restaurant kitchen.

OTTAWA — British Foreign Secretary R. A. Butler is expected to visit Canada "in the relatively near future," External Affairs Minister Paul Martin announced.

OKLAHOMA CITY — Mrs. Richard Mayser's front yard Christmas tree has a real Prairie flavor. Helped by neighbors, she lashed together 200 tumbleweeds onto a 15-foot tree-shaped frame and sprayed it white.

VANCOUVER — Funeral services will be held Monday for Lt. Col. Guy Hamilton Kirkpatrick, former chairman of the Vancouver Harbor Commission. He died in hospital at 88.

PHILADELPHIA — U.S. Representative William Green, 53, a 16-year veteran of Congress, died after emergency surgery for peritonitis with gall bladder complications.

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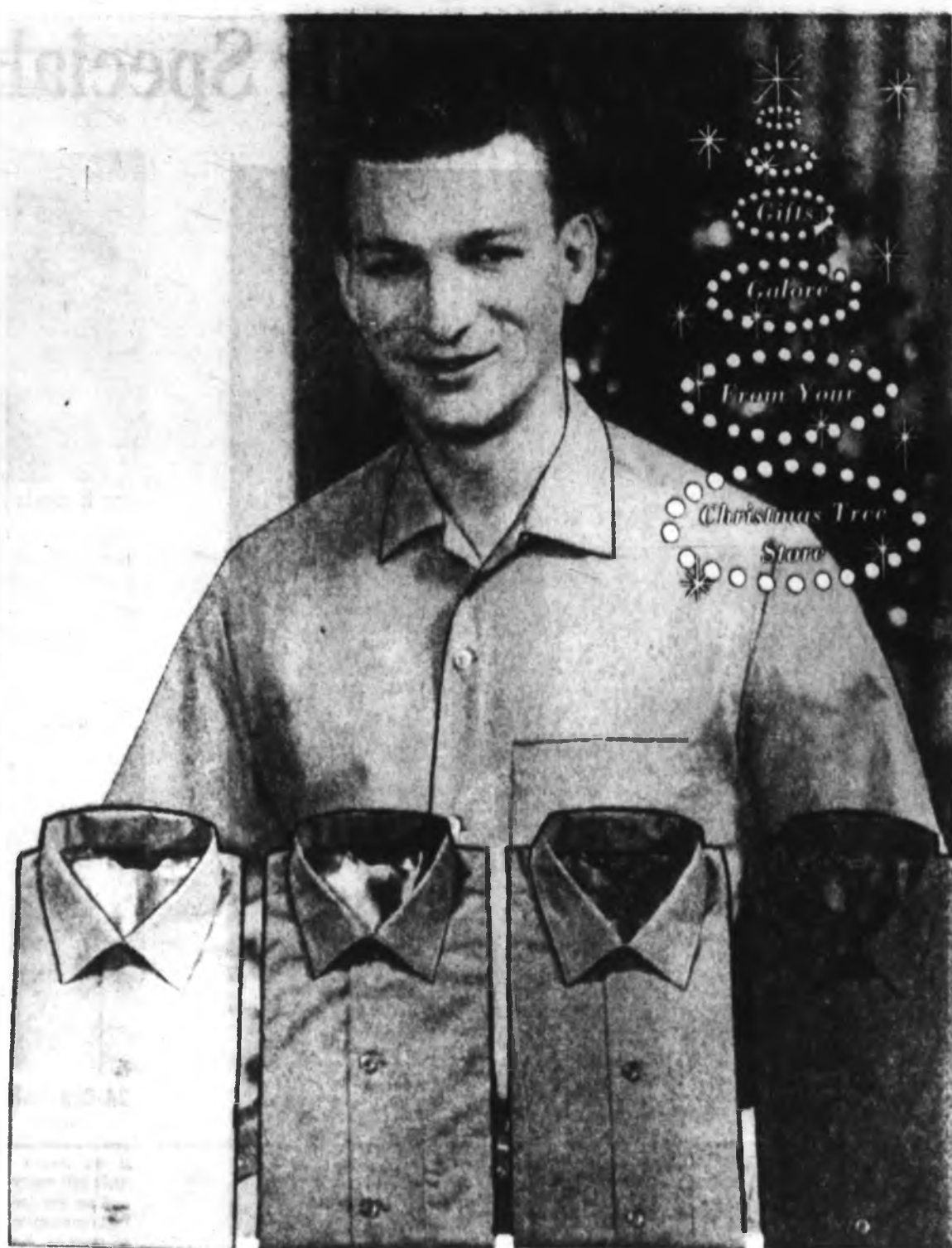
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The BAY, staples, 3rd

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The BAY, china, 3rd

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The BAY, foundations, 2nd

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The BAY, hardware, lower main

Tumbler Sets — Set of 8 decorated tumblers in gift box for last-minute giving. 36 sets only. Regular 1.98. Sale, set 1⁹⁹

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The BAY, chinaware, 3rd



The Avis 6 Transistor

Just about anybody on your gift list would appreciate one of these handy transistors that make music wherever they're taken: in the car, a person's pocket. Transistor is complete with battery and earphone, a good-looking cowhide case with handle.

Sale **14⁹⁹**

The BAY, radios, 3rd



Crystal Punch Bowl Set

A gift of beauty to treasure with a practical purpose over the holiday season as well. If you're planning on plenty of entertaining this is ideal, because the large, contemporary-styled bowl features 12 matching crystal cups for plenty of service.

Sale, set **8⁹⁹**

The BAY, chinaware, 3rd



5-pce. TV Tables

Mother will bless you for a set of these, especially if she's doing lots of family entertaining over the holidays. Four King size trays are supported on sturdy stand, hold a full course meal, can be rolled off in their own rack after dinner! Granada and Patricia pattern.

Sale, set **16⁹⁹**

The BAY, housewares, lower main



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Sale **19⁹⁹**

The BAY, housewares, lower main



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The BAY, men's furnishings, main



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Sale **4⁹⁹**

The BAY, men's furnishings, main



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The BAY, furniture, 4th



Thick Terry Towels

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The BAY, staples, 3rd



Lovely Pillow Cases

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Reg. 1.98, Sale, pair **1.27**

The BAY, staples, 3rd



Rowing Machines

If you want that gift with a difference, for your husband, we'd recommend a rowing machine. (It can be used by all the family!) Chrome finish, free motion seat, tempered steel springs. Exercise sheet and calory counter included.

Sale **8.99** Galvanized model. Sale **4.99**

The BAY, sporting goods, lower main



Black & Decker Drills

Dad would appreciate one of these "B" drills with five geared chuck and key for reliable, smooth action. Utility drill features contour handle for controlled balance.

2.1 amps. Sale **17⁹⁹** Also "B" Black and Decker Drill. Sale **9.99**

The BAY, hardware, lower main



Daisy Super Play Rifle

It's a Daisy! Lots of fun for a youngster who likes to play Cowboys-and-Indians! Daisy Super Play Rifle features a wooden handle, metal barrel; makes lots of noise, lets off smoke when fired.

24" long. Sale, each **2⁹⁹**

The BAY, Toyland, lower main



Sweet Baby Ellen Doll

She's so lovely, and she'll thrill any four to eight-year-old on Christmas morning. 24" long, Baby Ellen has got soft poodle hair, big sleeping eyes, and comes dressed in a cute little outfit in dainty colors of pink and blue.

Sale, each **3⁹⁹**

The BAY, Toyland, lower main



Give a Show Projector

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Cyprus

Greeks, Turks Tangle

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Blood flowed on Nicosia streets Saturday in the most serious display of animosity between Greek and Turkish Cypriots since Britain freed this Mediterranean island on Aug. 16, 1960.

Two Turkish Cypriots were shot dead and nine persons—seven of Turkish and two of Greek blood—were wounded in two affrays that followed weeks of tension over proposed changes in the country's constitution.

HOURLY LONG

First came an hour-long battle with machine-guns, pistols and rifles that erupted before dawn between a Turkish crowd and a police patrol on narrow streets dividing the Greek and Turkish sectors of the capital.

Among the Turkish Cypriots, a man and a woman were killed and five persons were injured.

Police said the crowd started firing on the patrol. The Turkish leadership charged in a communique the incident was "a consequence of police methods used against the Turkish community."

CLASH WITH STUDENTS

Later, police and Turkish Cypriot students clashed in the main square of the Turkish sector. Seeking to quell a riotous demonstration, the police opened fire. Two Turkish youths were wounded.

The officers said the demonstrators had stoned or shot at Greek cars and buses, though none of the occupants was hit, and stormed the sector's police station in an attempt to raise the Turkish flag. Turkish Cypriot police chased them from the building.

A joint appeal for members of both communities to remain calm was broadcast by the Greek Cypriot President, Archbishop Makarios, and his Turkish vice-president, Dr. Fazil Kutchuk.

Bunnies Bopped Again

HARMONY, N.C. (AP)—The bopped the bunnies here Saturday, cold, wind and the humane society to the contrary.

About 35 persons turned out for the gunless rabbit hunt sponsored by American Legion Post 13 of Harmony.

Saturday's hunt was staged just as in former years. Firearms were banned, in the interest of safety for the hunters, and men and boys tramped the open fields, surrounded rabbits and clubbed them to death with sticks and stones.

E. B. Tutterrow, chairman of arrangements, said after the hunt that the post now has enough rabbits, including those taken by conventional means earlier, to stage its charity barbecue early next year.

Africans Spurn Red Plea

MOSCOW (AP)—Defiant African students to have reported Saturday to have rejected a Soviet suggestion that they publicly condemn Wednesday's stormy protest march on Red Square.

Informants said about 150 students—called to a special meeting Friday by the rector of Patrice Lumumba University—also refused to de-

nounce Western press reports of the demonstration. Several hundred students from many parts of Africa

stormed to the walls of the Kremlin Wednesday protesting the death of a Ghanaian who they claim had been

murdered by a Russian as a result of racial prejudice. The Russians say the man froze to death, that discrimination does not exist in this country.

The students were said to have told the rector they could not dissociate themselves from the demonstration, since it was expression of their own feeling.

Leaders Must Go

MOSCOW (UPI)—The Ghanaian embassy said Saturday the African students who organized an anti-Soviet government protest in Red Square last week would have to leave the country.



Faces of a reunited city: tearful but joyful

Reds: We're Human Too

Berlin Visits Fuel for Propaganda Mill

By GEORGE BOULTWOOD

BERLIN (AP)—The Communist propaganda machine is working in top gear to make the most profit from the Christmas visits through the Berlin wall by West Berliners.

The campaign appears to have these main objectives:

● To remove some of the bad odor raised by the building of the wall and shooting of refugees;

● To gain a further measure of recognition from the West of the Communist regime of East Germany;

● To sell the idea that West Berliners and West Germans have something to gain from negotiations with East Germany.

The press of East Germany

is full of editorials, interviews and descriptive stories praising the Red regime for its generosity in letting Berlin families get together for Christmas.

The fact of the wall itself is played down. The wall is described as a "frontier security measure" taken in the interest of peace for all Germans; indeed, the whole world.

Ignored, also, is the fact that the East Berliners are unable to return the visits by going to the West.

Nevertheless the Communists are hammering on the theme: The West can get something by negotiating with us.

They say their proposal for contact between the two German states leading to a con-

federation has long been on the table. They have offered to "normalize" relations with West Berlin by signing a peace treaty that would eliminate Western rights and make it a "free city."

The Red guards on the wall, hated because they have orders to shoot refugees, have gone out of their way to be polite and helpful. The official East German news agency, ADN, described how a colonel of the East German army helped a crippled old lady from West Berlin through the controls.

The Communist moral: "We're human, too."

The visitors are constantly reminded — by loudspeaker announcements, by conversations and by leaflets handed out at the wall—that they are

visiting "the capital of the German Democratic Republic," not East Berlin.

They are described as "guests" in their own city. People who have actually gone from one end of the street to the other to see relatives are told they have come from one country to another.

Leaflets handed to visitors blamed the West for making the Berliners wait for their reunions by refusing to negotiate. Then they say: "Negotiations are good and useful. People get something from them."

The East Berlin news agency and papers have produced a flood of interviews with Western visitors expressing gratitude to the Communists for "the finest-ever Christmas gift."

Six Dead, 31 Missing

STORM TOLL MAY HIT 37

HALIFAX (CP)—A saga of tragedy and rescue at sea unfolded Saturday on Canada's Atlantic coast where last count in the aftermath of a brutal wind and snow storm was six men dead, two presumed dead, 29 missing, two vessels sunk, one wrecked and one aground.

Another vessel, missing since Thursday, turned up safely Saturday.

An air and sea search was underway for the 29 crew members of the French freighter Douala that sank in mountainous seas about 35 miles east of Burgeo, Nfld., shortly after noon Saturday. The crew left the ship in two small dories.

STILL ABOARD

Seven crew members still were aboard the Lebanese freighter Corfu Island that ran aground Friday on the Magdalen Islands in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Twenty others of her crew abandoned ship Saturday and were taken ashore at Grindstone. The vessel was hard aground and listing badly.

One bright note was the safe return at Lunenburg, N.S., of the 147-ton scallop dragger Judy and Linda III with 15 men aboard.

TRY TO LAND LINE

Meanwhile, the Foundation Maritime tug Vigilant was continuing attempts to get a line aboard the 4,629-ton Danish freighter Argentina 160 miles southeast of Halifax. The Argentina, with 36 persons aboard, was progressing under her own power but had steering difficulties.

The Vigilant, which put a line aboard the freighter only to have it part, was towing the Argentina to Halifax.

The Nova Scotia trawler Acadia Neptune was headed for Saint John, N.B., after overcoming engine trouble.

UNDER TOW

The navy's auxiliary craft Glenside, which broke a tow line near Halifax Harbor Thursday, was under tow Saturday by the tug Saint John and reported heading for Canoe, N.S. The Glenside was unmanned when she drifted away from another towing vessel, the navy tug Riverton.

Six men known dead were crew members of the 175-ton coastal freighter Mary Pauline. They were drowned Friday when they were swamped in heavy seas after they abandoned the 124-foot vessel between North Sydney, N.S. and the Newfoundland coast. One other crew member was saved.

Both men presumed dead were crew members aboard the longliner Ruth Lillian found wrecked Friday on lonely Ellerswood Island off southwestern Nova Scotia. The vessel, out of Westport, N.S., had been fishing in the general area.

Deadly Dream Comes True

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Film producer Guy Trosper's nightmare seemed so terrifyingly real he phoned his physician and told him about it. He said he dreamed he had had a heart attack.

After a brief conversation, Trosper, 52, producer and script-writer of Birdman of Alcatraz, returned to bed.

Next morning, his wife found him dead. Cause of death was listed as a heart attack.

Ontario Liberals

NDP Denies Secret Talks

OTTAWA (CP) — New Democratic Party leader T. C. Douglas Saturday denied a published report that secret "exploratory" talks have been held between Liberal and NDP party officials at the federal and Ontario provincial levels.

He was answering a copy-right report in the Toronto Star which said "shadowy," "exploratory" and "tentative" talks have been held between some NDP officials and a number of federal cabinet ministers.

It said these included Finance Minister Gordon and Labor Minister MacEachen. Also attending, the story said, were Mr. Douglas; Douglas Fisher, NDP whip in the House of Commons; David Lewis, vice-chairman of the NDP; and Keith Davey, the liberal party's national organizer.



U.S. Spy?

Death sentence is possible at forthcoming trial of Ivan Georgiev, 36, former No. 2 Bulgarian agent at UN, Bulgarian news agency said Saturday he has confessed to spying for U.S.—(AP Photofax)

COMMON GROUND

The purpose of the talks was to see if both parties could find a common meeting ground, the Star said.

The paper said the participants insisted they were acting as individuals rather than as party officials. It said all were known to have approached the talks with scepticism, but most felt the matter worth quiet exploration.

NO DISCUSSIONS
Mr. Douglas said "there have been no discussions in Ottawa to the best of my knowledge between the Liberals and New Democrats."

"I can say that I have never had any meetings with Liberals to discuss a merger, and that no person has done so on my behalf, or with my authority, or with the authorization of the federal executive."

"I've also talked with Mr. Fisher and Mr. Lewis and they both assure me they have had no such discussions."

Round-the-Calendar Congress

U.S. Aid Bill Stymied

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House failed Saturday to reach a vote on a compromise \$3,000,000,000 foreign aid bill.

This inaction apparently killed any chance for early enactment

of the measure or for sine die adjournment of this session of Congress before the next one starts Jan. 7.

This would make the first session of the 88th Congress, al-

ready a peace time record-breaker for length, the first around - the - calendar Congress since Korean War days.

Although the disputed measure is an appropriations bill, the deadlock developed over demands in the House for a ban on government-backed credit for sales of U.S. goods to Soviet-bloc nations and the Senate's insistence that the President be allowed to permit such guarantees in the national interest.

LEADERS ANGERED

The angered Democratic House leadership summoned members back to a Monday session and Majority Leader Carl Albert of Oklahoma in a stormy session told them they'd have to stick to the foreign aid bill next week even if it means meeting on Christmas Day.

But the Senate leadership set up only token meetings until the already scheduled start of the second session Jan. 7. This seemed likely to have the effect of ruling out both final action on the bill this year and sine die adjournment of the session.

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A Slight Change In Plans

HOUSTON, Texas (AP)—The crewmates of Seaman Bruce Frank, 20, bustled around their big eastern U.S. naval base for days raising money so he could get home to Houston in time to marry his girl before Christmas.

But his story does not have a happy ending.

Frank came home to find his sweetheart Linda Fake, 18, had gone AWOL. When he finally found her, Linda said she had "changed her mind" and married army Sgt. Charles Willis, 19.



Nearly Wed

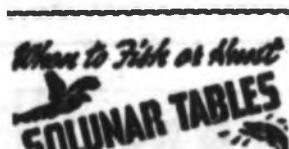


Ball Control Wins

Backboard control like this made life easy for Victoria Chinooks in 82-58 win over New Westminster Adanacs last night. Ron Bowker grabs ball, teammate John Lauvaas is there to

help, and Adanacs' Bob Shaw (14) is frozen out. At left are Bill Nottter (13) of Adanacs, and Chinooks' Ken Gregory and Mo Turner (44).—(William A. Boucher)

United Gets Needed Points For Share of Fourth Place



According to the Solar Tables, the best time for fishing and hunting for the next 16 days will be as follows (times shown are Pacific Standard Time):

TODAY		TODAY	
Minor	Major	Minor	Major
9:30	3:30	9:30	3:30
MONDAY			
10:30	4:10	10:30	4:10
TUESDAY			
10:30	4:10	10:30	4:10
WEDNESDAY			
10:30	4:10	10:30	4:10
THURSDAY			
10:30	4:10	10:30	4:10
FRIDAY			
10:30	4:10	10:30	4:10
SATURDAY			
10:30	4:10	10:30	4:10
SUNDAY			
10:30	4:10	10:30	4:10
MONDAY			
10:30	4:10	10:30	4:10
TUESDAY			
10:30	4:10	10:30	4:10

Reduced Rates Set For Early Shooters

Early birds today will get a chance to shoot for their Christmas turkeys and hams at a reduced rate on the second day of the Victoria Gun Club's annual Turkey Shoot, being held at the club's range on Metchoin Road.

There are about 270 turkeys and 86 hams up for grabs today when shooting gets underway at 9 a.m.

Reduced rates will be in effect from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. but the shoot goes on until dark. Experts and novices alike

have equal chance to win turkeys and hams as the events are split into five categories.

The five categories, vary from shoots for the experts to shoots for the novice who has never shot before.

Shooting got off to a slow start yesterday due to Christmas shopping but officials are hoping for a large turnout today to shoot off for the many turkeys and hams.

Participants can find the club's range on Metchoin Road just past Esquimalt. Look for following the signs.

Western Hockey

P	W	L	T	P	A	Pts
1	2	1	0	1	1	4
2	1	1	0	1	1	3
3	1	1	0	1	1	3
4	1	1	0	1	1	3
5	1	1	0	1	1	3

Last night's scores: Portland 3 at Denver 5; Los Angeles 3 at San Francisco 5; Vancouver 7 at Seattle 1.

Next game: Tonight—Los Angeles at Seattle.

Denver Invaders continue to around Western Hockey League fans, steadily building up a big lead after being almost unanimously consigned to the northern regions in pre-season forecasts.

Just as astounding are the San Francisco Seals and Portland Buckaroos, figured to fight it out for the championship and currently having a last-place scrap all to themselves.

Invaders made it 12 in a row on home ice last night, outscoring the Buckaroos, 5-3. The Seals took the short end of a 3-2 score against Los Angeles Blades, who took over in second place, 11 points behind Denver.

At Seattle, the Totems and the climbing Vancouver Canucks put on a high-scoring, fast-acting battle which ended in a 7-7 tie when Guy Fleider scored with less than five minutes left.

Late in the first period, Dunc McCallum and Bob McCusker of the Canucks and Larry Ziedel and Tom Burgess of the Totems got embroiled in a tussle which brought all major penalties and Ziedel two minors as well.

MILAN, Italy (AP)—Italian heavyweight boxing champion Santa Amonti was approved Saturday for a fight with former world champion Floyd Patterson in Stockholm Jan. 6.

despite reports the Italian was suffering from brain damage.

Tony Gilardi, secretary of the Italian Boxing Federation, said the heavyweight had met all physical requirements and has been authorized to fight Patterson.

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Chinook Streak Reaches Nine Games But Chiefs Travel on Different Road

Juniors Sizzle

VICTORIA CHINOOKS	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Vancouver YMCA	9	8	1	0	16
CVO Bears	10	7	3	0	14
Kerrisdale Merchants	11	6	5	0	12
New West Mounties	12	6	6	0	12
R.W. Adanacs	13	2	11	0	4

Last night's score: Chinooks 82, Adanacs 58.

Next game: Jan. 4—Chinooks at North Vancouver.

By JIM TAYLOR

When Victoria Chinooks stepped into the Inter-City Junior Basketball League this season there were faint whispers that there was a club of championship potential.

Those whispers are turning into shouts now, and with good reason.

Chinooks won their ninth straight game last night, beating New Westminster Adanacs, 82-58. They are six points in front of Vancouver YMCA, Kerrisdale Merchants and CVO Saints, and they own games in hand. Things couldn't look much better.

IMPRESSIVE

It was not so much that they won last night. Against a last-place and rather inexperienced club that was expected. It was the manner of their winning that impressed a crowd of about 200 at Central Junior High School.

They won as a well-balanced, well-disciplined and well-coached unit. They controlled the boards, kept up a constant fast break, and weren't afraid to go back and start a play over again if it wasn't going right.

Chinooks aren't puppets, because they think for themselves and react well to any situation. But at times they work their plays as though someone was sitting back pulling the strings.

BALANCED ATTACK

Last night they got 18 points from Ken Jackson, 15 from John Lauvaas, 13 from Mo Turner and 12 from Ron Bowker. They hit from inside, outside, front and side, and they gave the impression of being in control all the way.

Chinooks have six games left, two each against the Saints and North Vancouver YMCA and another against Adanacs. Only two are at home, and Chinooks won't be back on home court until Jan. 18 against Mounties.

Make a note of that date. These kids are worth seeing.

Victoria Chinooks—Ken Gregory 8, Ron Bowker 12, Doug Richardson, Bruce Robertson 2, Mo Turner 13, John Lauvaas 15, John Jackson 18, John Lauvaas 15, John Jackson 18, John Lauvaas 15, John Jackson 18.

HELPED IN VICTORY

TORONTO (CP)—Rogers Plaxton, 59, a right winger with Toronto Varsity Grade who won the Olympic hockey championship in 1928, died Friday.

SHORT STAY

It was also sometimes uncertain on defence but there was noticeable improvement in the second half after Henri Vanderhorst and Bob Mars were brought into the lineup.

However, Mars only lasted 12 minutes, leaving along with North Shore's John Woods at the request of referee John Adams when they came to blows after coming together near midfield.

North Shore was even less effective, and only three or four fine stops by Galway kept the result in doubt as long as it was.

Victoria got a big start early. Pat Mulvey scoring at 90 seconds when his free kick from 25 yards caromed off a defending back and past the startled Galway.

North Shore gradually took over from there and finally and inevitably, got the equalizer at 36 minutes. Inside-left Ed Collins, one of the better operatives for the losers, centred the ball perfectly and rightwinger Reno Vilho cut in from his spot just as perfectly to give Barry Sandler no chance with a 20-footer from directly in front.

VICTORIA—Barry Sandler; Jim Hawthorne, Ron Jackson, George Wright, Pat Mulvey, Ed Collins, Ken Peterson, George Paul, Andy Collins, Tony Bourton, Jim Clark, Steve Adams, Ron Ball, Henri Vanderhorst, Bob Mars.

NORTH SHORE—Alan Galway; Ted Atkinson, Ben MacLennan, Keith Williams, Rod Thompson, Harold Teja; Ken Wilson, John Wink, Don Peterson, Ed Collins, Steve Paul, Steve Adams, Ron Ball, Henri Vanderhorst, Bob Mars.

Santa Passed For Patterson

MILAN, Italy (AP)—Italian heavyweight boxing champion Santa Amonti was approved Saturday for a fight with former world champion Floyd Patterson in Stockholm Jan. 6.

despite reports the Italian was suffering from brain damage.

Tony Gilardi, secretary of the Italian Boxing Federation, said the heavyweight had met all physical requirements and has been authorized to fight Patterson.

San Francisco Seals and Portland Buckaroos, figured to fight it out for the championship and currently having a last-place scrap all to themselves.

FAN FARE



By Walt Ditzen

Seniors Fizzle

Haida Chiefs may have lost by worse scores than they did last night, but they never looked worse doing it.

It was North Van Harlema 74, Chiefs 46, in a dreary and dreadful exhibition of how bad senior "A" basketball can be when only one team is playing it.

INDIFFERENCE

After scrapping back from a 12-2 deficit to tie the quarter score at 16-16, Chiefs apparently forgot everything they have ever been taught about the game. And the sad part was that a couple of them didn't seem to care.

In the second quarter Chiefs took 21 shots, and scored one. In the fourth quarter it took seven minutes for them to score a point, and they got that one on a free throw. For the night, they shot 19 for 84 from the floor and missed five free throws in 13 attempts.

NO LONEIERS

Gifts for every player will be given by the Hudson's Bay Company, and half-way refreshments and lunch after 18th holes are provided by the Daily Colonist.

The prize giving will take place about 4 p.m. in the Uplands clubhouse. There will be prizes for every handicap category in addition to the overall awards.

Chiefs, of course, were without Norris Martin, the man who is their leader. Martin sat in the stands and suffered, and must have counted himself lucky.

BRIGHT LIGHT

If there was a Chief who starred, his name is Bill Spotswood. In the second quarter he fell on his right wrist, scrapping for a loose ball. Trainer John McLeod froze it, and Spotswood was back within minutes.

He knows only one way to play—full out, all the time. Some of his teammates could take notes.

Chiefs don't play again until next Saturday night. Between then and now they have to take stock, and decide whether they want to be senior "A" or not.

North Van Harlema—Price 30, Boyd, Wink, King 4, Henley 4, Jones 4, Angus 12, Scott 2, Total—74.

Haida Chiefs—Wilson 4, Devlin, Leimert 6, Spotswood 6, Summers 10, Steele 4, Sandler 4, Cunningham 2, McCallum 4, Total—46.

Record Entry of 149 For Boxing Day Golf

Vic Painter will be on hand to defend his title as men's champion in the 10th annual Daily Colonist Christmas Tree tournament to be played at Uplands, Thursday, Dec. 26.

The draw and starting times for the popular festive tournament includes 119 men and 30 women. This is a record for the competition.

Last year's ladies champion, Mrs. Joan Lawson, is not taking part this year, but a three-

times winner, Mrs. Shirley Naismith, will be on hand at tempting to win for a fourth time.

All former champions in the men's section, except Frank Scroggs, winner in 1934, are in the field. They include Bill Wakeham, winner two years ago, George Bigelow, three times winner, Bill McCall and Claude Heggie.

In addition to most of the local leading golfers, the tournament has drawn support from far afield. There are players from Winnipeg, Regina, Edmonton, Nelson, Smithers, Chilliwack, New Westminster, and Vancouver clubs, as well as a number from up-Island points.

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Wallaces Beaten Again

VANCOUVER (CP)—Westminster Royals sent Vancouver Wallaces down to their 11th defeat in 12 games with a 2-1 victory Saturday in Pacific Coast Soccer League action.

In the battle of the two last-place teams, Wallaces scored the only goal of the first half, but Royals got a pair in the second.

Right-wingers took care of all the scoring. Joe Burdette scored the opener with three minutes remaining in the first half.

As Royals took over, winger John Wilson scored twice, the first at the eight-minute mark and the second four minutes later.

Vancouver XV Too Powerful

Vancouver Reps downed Victoria Reps, 15-3, at Macdonald Park yesterday in an under-25 exhibition rugby trial, one of several planned to help choose a side to face touring New Zealand early next year.

Dave Howie scored one try and kicked a penalty for the mainlanders, who led, 6-0, at the half. Chuck Plesler scored two tries and Gary Lorenz got one.

Columnist Suggests CFL-AFL Showdown

NEW YORK (CP)

A New York sports columnist, describing as futile the American Football League's attempts to interest the National League in a championship game, suggests the AFL instead challenge the Canadian champion to a two-game post-season series.

The suggestion was made today by Joe Williams, writing in the New York World Telegram and Sun.

"Forget the National Football League," he says to the AFL, adding:

"Challenge the Canadian foot-

ball champions to a home-and-home post-season series. One game under Canadian rules, the other under our rules. The dissimilarities are not too formidable as players from the states have long demonstrated.

In fact, the dissimilarities would provide a note of novelty.

Williams says that if this sort of international series is feasible and if it excited public interest, the AFL conceivably might eventually be in a position to name its own terms for a championship playoff with the older NFL.

For NHL All-Star Selectors

Beliveau or Mikita? It's a Problem

By TED BLACKMAN

(Canadian Press Staff Writer)

Jean Beliveau or Stan Mikita? That's the problem facing National Hockey League writers and broadcasters as the new year and all-star voting approaches. The selection of a centre could prove most frustrating than a Jan. 1 hangover.

HULL A CINCH

Chicago's Bobby Hull appears to be a cinch for the left wing job, teammate Kenny Wharram is a strong contender for the right wing spot and the voting for two defencemen and a goalie seems routine.

But choosing a centre for the team won't be easy. And it's all the fault of Beliveau, centreman for Montreal Canadiens. Mikita has been a runaway

for the centre job for two straight seasons, and at the start of the 1963-64 campaign there appeared to be no roadblocks in the way of a third nomination. In fact, Beliveau was going to clear the way for the Chicago ace by talking of retirement.

Beliveau, as his NHL opponents know too well, didn't call it quits, and according to Montreal Coach Toe Blake, that's the reason Montreal is now in second place instead near the bottom where many picked them to finish.

"We'd be in sixth place right now if it wasn't for Beliveau," Blake admits.

Hull is all alone among the left wingers. His nearest competition, on the basis of indi-

vidual scoring production, is teammate Ab McDonald, Montreal's Dave Balon and Toronto's Frank Mahovlich, who edged Hull out last year. But at least five goals and 19 points separate Hull from the other candidates.

Wharram has 16 goals so far, eight more than Detroit's Gordie Howe, last year's all-star right wing. John Ferguson of Montreal, a sensational but injured rookie, and Andy Bathgate, handicapped because his New York Rangers are last, round out the leading contenders.

The voting for defencemen is almost a closed issue, according to the scuttlebutt, Chicago's Pierre Plante and Elmer Vasko and Toronto's Tim Horton and

Carl Brewer are the names most frequently mentioned.

Judging by the goals-against average, Chicago's Glenn Hall could get the nod with his 1.97.

Second best is Johnny Bower of Toronto 2.33 and then there's Montreal's Charlie Hodge. And it's surprising how often mention is made of Boston's Ed Johnston 2.33.

But the fly in the ointment is the Beliveau and Mikita race. Both are tied with 41 points atop the scoring race, but Stan has the edge in the more important goals category, 19 to 14.

There are, however, a few more games to go before selectors mark their ballots for the all-star team at the halfway mark.

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NANAIMO—Frank Ney, Nanaimo real estate man, said Saturday he will be out of business if Boxing Day, the day scheduled for the Departure Bay polar bear swim, is a warm day.

Entries for the swim now total 141. The oldest swimmer will be Fred Follinger, 72, well-known sportsman. The oldest woman entrant is Mrs. Adelaide Willman, 65, of Cedar, who is going in with her four grandchildren.

Youngest is still Rilla Evans, seven, who has entered with her brother, Terry, 11.

What worries Frank is that he bet his wife she couldn't stay in for three minutes, the time limit for a \$5 prize. She

went in swimming Saturday afternoon and stayed for nine minutes. She won her \$5 bet, and wanted to try again.

Original offer was 500 silver dollars prize money. Five silver dollars for three minutes, and one silver dollar for a dip and run.

If every entrant stays in for the full three minutes, Frank's bill will be \$710.

Mr. Ney is busy studying long-range weather reports.

TRAFFIC PROBLEM

A report to the British government estimates there will be 41,000,000 vehicles in Britain by 2010 AD compared with 10,500,000 now.

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Youths Guilty

ALBERNI—Three Alberni youths were given suspended sentences when they were charged before Magistrate W. E. Macleod here with breaking and entering A. W. Neil Junior Secondary School.

An attempt was made on a small safe in the building on Dec. 4.

Randy Ronald St. Clair, 17, was given an 18-month suspended sentence; Lawrence Larry Demers, 17, and another juvenile, 12 months.

St. Clair and Demers were raised to adult court. Also in court, Rene Phillip Bouchard, charged with impaired driving, was fined \$150.

Australia, New Zealand Circuits Booked Solid

Telephone circuits to Australia and New Zealand are booked solid for Monday and Tuesday, a B.C. Telephone spokesman said yesterday.

Christmas "down under" comes one day earlier than here because of the international date line, and Monday will be Christmas Eve there.

Telephone traffic to Australia and New Zealand goes via Vancouver and the new trans-Pacific cable which was put into operation on Dec. 4.

Statistics were not available for trans-Atlantic calls, but traffic from the Victoria area is holding to the estimates made several weeks ago, said the spokesman.

Meanwhile, Canadian National Telecommunications spokesmen reported that Santagrams, designed specifically for youngsters, account for a high percentage of holiday telegram traffic.

The Santagram is trans-

Around the Island Roadblocks Nab One

NANAIMO — RCMP road checks Friday night turned up one impaired driver.

In police court Saturday, Philip Alexander Fink, Port Alberni, was fined \$75 and had his licence suspended for one month for impaired driving.

Fink pleaded not guilty and gave as his defence, in front of Magistrate Eric Winch, that

he was not impaired but exhausted from lack of sleep and a long drive between Vancouver and Port Alberni.

QUALICUM BEACH—After more than 40 years of use, the first water supply system for Qualicum Beach is gone. The last section of the original wood pipe used in the system has been replaced.

The supply system was constructed about 1920, and provided water for the Qualicum Beach Hotel with water obtained from Whiskey Creek.

There were about 140 service connections, in addition to the hotel and golf links. Most of the system was in wood pipe. In 1950, two wells situated on MacMillan, Bloedel Ltd. property were drilled to replace the Whiskey Creek supply.

During the summer of 1958, the water supply appeared to be inadequate, and watering restrictions were necessary.

In 1960, the village started on a program to improve the supply, and it was found that the major cause of the shortage was the many leaks through the old system.

LADYSMITH—Police court: Victor Popowich, Ladysmith, speeding, \$15; Doris Kelpin, Victoria, failing to submit accident report, \$10; Warren Sanderson, Victoria, careless driving and failing to submit accident report, \$50 and \$10; Ronald G. Lanfranco, Ladysmith, allowing minor without driver's license to drive car, \$15.

Accountant Firms To Merge

Two chartered accountant firms here will combine their practices Jan. 1. It was announced yesterday.

Tom Bailey, Gordon Holmes and James Wood will combine their firm, Bailey, Monteth, Holmes and Company, with Price Waterhouse and Company, and the two practices will be carried on in the names of both firms.

Business Better In Duncan Stores

By KLAUS MUENTER

DUNCAN—With two Christmas shopping days left, Duncan merchants review business with a note of satisfaction, and some claim not only the Christmas business itself has been better this year but the entire past year was more profitable.

Arnie Williams, proprietor of a bike shop, said: "It was a different type of business this Christmas. Pre-sales started later—something seemed to hold back people from buying earlier."

He said some years people buy more used bikes, and other years mainly new ones, but this year both types were in heavy demand.

Mr. Williams feels Christmas business was somewhat unstable.

Sporting goods merchant Bob Evans said people this year are buying bigger gifts and more items were laid away until this week.

"The whole year has been good as far as I am concerned, and I think the big construction job at Crofton brought more stability into this area," said Mr. Evans.

Hugh Linell, operator of a

radio and electric shop, had this to say: "Christmas business has been much better than last year." He and other businessmen here at first feared the new large shopping plaza at Victoria would draw many customers away from Duncan.

Duncan clothier Gilbert Thom feels Christmas business might be slightly better than last year.

He said, the establishment of the Victoria shopping centre is "one more reason for us to speed up remodeling, as the competition generates and fosters the acceptance of new ideas to serve customers even better than before."

For furniture dealer Joe Rickard, Christmas business has been satisfactory. A newly-introduced line, camphor and chrysanthemum wood articles made in Formosa, have sold exceptionally well, he says.

Horst Nowrath, operator of a jewellery store at the Duncan Shopping Plaza, is satisfied with his business, which he describes as better than last year.

Most of the merchants interviewed are looking forward to heavy last minute sales, and they feel this last part of the 1963 Christmas business will probably be similar to previous years.

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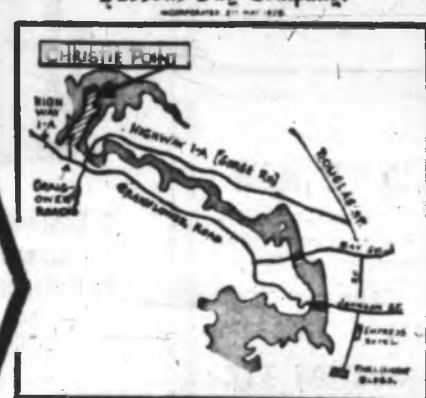
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A Party for Elfskeme

Mistletoe Miss Some Dame

By TED GASKELL

No one seems to know where the tradition of kissing under the mistletoe started. It's time they did.

Dame Elfskeme was no beauty.

Even to the other ancient Britons who were used to seeing their womenfolk painted blue or at least with a touch of wood on their cheeks, she wasn't likely to encourage the newly-landed Romans to do the Sabine bit again.

And Dame Elfskeme knew it. And she didn't like it. None of the men of the manor, or even the villagers, paid much attention to her except to make rude remarks about her over the second or third jug of mead or ale.

The other ladies of the manor got more than their share of attention.

They were constantly heard in the woods screaming they'd seen a snake or a mouse or a Roman and some ancient Briton — and often a younger one — would rush in and rescue them.

But Dame Elfskeme didn't believe about the mice or snakes or Romans because these ladies never rushed out looking frightened, nor were they carried out in a swoon by their rescuers.

The Reason

They invariably came out some considerable time later, looking rather smug and self-satisfied.

None of the incantations or charms she knew were of any use. Even the bits of mistletoe the Druids handed out didn't do much good.

The more she thought about the mistletoe, the more she thought she might have something there.

The Druids said it would ward off evil if it was hung up. Why then shouldn't it attract good?

She got her idea.

The Action

She waited until one very wet December day, the 25th to be exact, when it was too damp to rush about in the woods being scared by Romans or snakes or mice, and then she acted.

She gave a party. She gathered every bit of mistletoe in the manor house and burned it all except one piece.

Then she established a house rule that anyone caught under the mistletoe had to be kissed or pay a forfeit, probably a hand or a head.

The Crisis

Then she hung the only piece remaining right next to the mead table, and sat there all evening.

Every man who was at the party had to come pretty close to Dame Elfskeme or do without mead.

Consequently the men, rather than lose out on the mead, kissed the dame.

Very soon, some of the younger and prettier women found some mistletoe she had overlooked and hung it up.

It was a great party after all.

The Result

Furthermore, it helped to do away with the tedious business of pretending to be scared of things and having to go into the woods.

With the mistletoe thing, you could kiss someone in front of their boyfriend or husband and nobody minded.

Of course it got to be a bit too much of a good thing so it was restricted to the December or rainy season — and that's the way it's been ever since.

North President

Nick North, manager of the Imperial Inn, has been elected president of the Victoria Hotel Association for the 1964-65 season.

He succeeds Mrs. Norma McDonald, formerly of Oak Bay Beach Hotel, as president.

Lloyd Bollen of the Colonial Inn was elected secretary.

Heart-Warming Hive

By DON GAIN

A heart-warming hive of humanity yesterday morning was the Surplus Food Stall at the Elks Home on Cormorant Street.

"Just marvelous," is the way convener Mrs. E. E. Harper described the response of Greater Victoria citizens, and then proceeded to show the results.

"A very good Chinese friend gave us these turnips, 800 pounds, and 800 pounds of carrots. Another good friend gave us these cabbages. There's about 600 pounds there."

And so it went.

Deep Freeze

We walked past the deep freeze, full of frozen foods, stopped at boxes filled with apples, beets and other garden vegetables.

"These are from individuals," Mrs. Harper said. "They probably grew them at home."

We stopped at shelves loaded with canned goods.

"There are 540 tins there from the children's Canned Food Matinee of the 700 Block Yates Street."

"Beacon Hill and South Park schools sent in everything you could think of."

She pointed to bread from the bakeries, cookies from the Cosmopolis club, potatoes from the Saanich Farmers' marketing board, sugar sacks from the soft drink bottlers, empty boxes from the liquor store, eggs from the poultry wholesalers.

"We have workers of all ages," Mrs. Harper said. "Young and old, CGIT girls, De Molay boys."

"Individuals are wonderful in their response," she went on. "Some give money and with that I buy stew and ground meat, powdered milk, margarine and rolled oats. I think all young people should eat rolled oats."

"I have a \$100 donation from the city benefit fund. I've spent \$30 on tea and the rest I'm saving for the next few months which are usually not quite so fruitful."

"We can't afford turkeys and this is not a Christmas effort anyway. We're here every third Saturday. But we do have plum puddings and oranges this Saturday. So you could say that was for Christmas."

Hampers are made up according to the number of persons in the family. Basic item in most is 10 pounds of potatoes.

Deliveries are made to 40 families with the Elks, Rotarians and labor unions alternating on pickups and deliveries.



Wondering whether his baby tooth is radioactive from Strontium 90 fallout is David Stevenson, 2974 Irma Street. The six-year-old Grade One pupil at Burnside Elementary School was the

first student here to mail in a tooth for geiger counter tests at the University of Toronto. — (William A. Boucher)

Teeth May Tell Fallout Strength

By JACK FRY

How much radioactive fallout from atmospheric nuclear testing is being accumulated in the bodies of children in Greater Victoria.

The answer to this frightening question might be learned through tests now being conducted at the University of Toronto. If enough school children here are willing to send in their baby teeth for examination.

The Voice of Women, an organization concerned about radiation hazards, has been shipping teeth from all over Canada to Dr. Murray Hunt, a professor of dentistry at the university, whose tests so far show the amount of strontium 90 has been rising since nuclear testing began.

Mrs. Mary Tapp, 1600 Derby Road, is chairman of the Victoria baby tooth survey.

"The program has just started, and we hope to get at least 2,000 teeth to send to Dr. Hunt," she said yesterday.

Forms, to which the teeth are to be attached, are available at the Victoria Public Library and through most parent-teacher associations in the area, she said.

Teeth should be mailed along with the forms to Post Office Box 21, Victoria, B.C. They will be mailed to Toronto in lots of 500 by Mrs. Tapp.

The first tooth received for the survey was sent in by David Stevenson, six years, of 2974 Irma — and it almost failed to reach its destination.

His tooth was returned so the Colonist could get a photograph of the tooth and the boy together. Somewhere along

the line, after the picture was taken, the tooth disappeared.

Reporter, photographer, the boy and his mother turned the room upside down and were contemplating shaking the lad by his heels, when someone suggested looking in the waste paper basket.

Envelopes, cigarette butts and all sorts of doodads were pulled from the basket — and there in the bottom lay the shiny, possibly radioactive tooth, which was carefully re-wrapped and sent on its way for analysis under a geiger counter.

Nanaimo-Alberni

Labor to Probe Farm Problem

NANAIMO — The plight of Vancouver Island farmers will be investigated by the Nanaimo-Alberni and District Labor Council.

Forward Pass Caught

NANAIMO — Herman Rabeneck of Nanaimo didn't see any policeman around when he crossed a double solid line to overtake the car ahead.

The car he overtook, which in turn overtook him and waved him to the curb, was driven by Staff Sgt. Frank Slater, chief of Nanaimo's RCMP detachment.

P.S.—Rabeneck was fined \$15 in magistrate's court.

Several members reported at a meeting Friday they have received complaints from farmers that they were being forced to the wall by the price of fluid milk—reduced 20 cents a hundred pounds during the last month.

Instances were cited where farmers with milk quotas of 500 pounds a day and more were forced to seek jobs in order to retain their farms.

HOSPITAL BOARD

The council also decided to seek representation on the Nanaimo Regional Hospital Board.

At least four members will join the hospital society and seek to secure a seat on the board for Alistair Macleod, council chairman.

SAWMILL PROBLEM

Council members expressed alarm at news of the closing of a number of Island sawmills which they say is the result of the CPR owners of the E & N land grant withholding logs from sale because of a new tax.

The council decided to press for expropriation of CPR timber holdings on the island.

More News Of Island On Page 16

Duncan Boy Committed For Trial

DUNCAN — Magistrate D. K. McAdam Friday committed for trial Dennis R. Cline, 17, of Duncan, charged with manslaughter.

The charge was laid against Cline after the death Aug. 8 of 14-year-old Hugh George Nesbitt near his Bazett Road home.

Cline originally appeared in juvenile court but was transferred to adult court. He is free on \$1,000 bail.

Air, Land, Sea

Holiday Runs Begin

Christmas holiday travel services are now in effect on air, coach and ferry transportation systems.

B.C. ferries between Swartz Bay and Tsawwassen will have hourly trips both ways from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. today, tomorrow, Tuesday and Boxing Day.

Regular winter two-hour service will be in effect Christmas Day, and from Dec. 27 on, including New Year's Day.

FOUR EXTRA TRIPS

The Nanaimo-Horseshoe Bay run will have four extra trips each way today, tomorrow, Tuesday and Boxing Day. The same applies to the Horseshoe Bay-Langdale service through Howe Sound.

The regular Tuesday, Friday and Sunday schedule of the Mv Pender Queen will apply Monday, Dec. 23 and Dec. 30.

MORE FLIGHTS

Trans-Canada Air Lines had three extra flights to and from Vancouver yesterday and will have one extra to Vancouver and Seattle on Tuesday.

There will be three extra flights to Vancouver Jan. 4, and one extra on Jan. 5, 6 and 7. Extra transcontinental flights have been landing in Vancouver.

Vancouver Island Coach Lines are putting on extra service to handle traffic between Victoria and Vancouver, Victoria and Nanaimo, and Nanaimo and Vancouver.

NORMAL SCHEDULES

The CPR ferry at Nanaimo, Washington State Ferries at Sidney, and Black Ball, Victoria, will operate only their normal schedules.

Canadian Pacific Air Lines will operate eight extra sections to handle the travel rush to Vancouver from B.C. upcoast and interior points.

Airports concerned are Sandspit, Queen Charlotte Islands; Prince Rupert; Fort St. John; Penticton; Cranbrook and Castlegar.

-City, B.C. Staffs Get Long Holiday

Municipal employees of Greater Victoria join federal and provincial workers this year in enjoying a five-day Christmas holiday.

With two notable exceptions, people working for Victoria, Saanich, Oak Bay and Esquimalt will be on vacation from 5 p.m. Dec. 24 to the morning of Dec. 30.

Exceptions are police and firemen—and while full staffs must be maintained in these departments, some concessions to the holiday have been worked out.

The provincial museum closes Dec. 24 at 5 p.m. and reopens Dec. 28 for the day, then is open Dec. 29 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. For New Year's it closes from 5 p.m. Dec. 31 to Jan. 2.

Downtown liquor stores will close at 6 p.m. instead of the usual 11 p.m. Christmas and New Year's Eve.

The Victoria Public Library will close at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, reopening at 9 a.m. Friday and will again close at 5:30 Tuesday Dec. 31 and reopen at 9 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 2.

School Holidays Start

More than 33,000 university and public school students on southern Vancouver Island will start their Christmas holidays Monday, returning to classes Jan. 6.

University buildings will be open to students until 1 p.m. Dec. 24 and will re-open at 8:30 a.m. Dec. 30. They will close for New Year's Day.



Big Day for Little Girl

Maria Amorinda, 4, of 1036 Balmoral, spent close to seven hours with Victoria police yesterday. At 12:03 p.m. police were called to 904 McClure to collect Maria, who had followed resident home from Fort and Blanshard. Maria spent much of

afternoon with police matron, was given suitable refreshment and a nickel while her description was broadcast. Father, who speaks little English, picked her up at 7:30 p.m.—(Robin Clarke)

Three Parties, Stores

Santa Kept on Go

Santa Claus had such a busy day here yesterday he probably had to soak his tired feet in hot water last night.

He took in at least three large Christmas parties from early morning to late at night,

and was seen at department stores here during the middle of the day.

Santa was mobbed by 100 boys when he appeared at a YMCA Christmas party for more than 300 boys nine to 13 years of age.

This party ran from 9:30 a.m. to noon, and Santa handed out 78 pounds of candy—with an unusual twist, in that the "Y" being a Community Chest agency, the boys all chipped in 10 cents each to buy the candy which Santa gave back to them.

Santa gave presents to 43 children during a Victoria Shrine Club party at the Knights of Pythias Hall on Cormorant Street, about 8 p.m. yesterday.

The Shriners were hosts to 19 Vancouver Island children who are home for Christmas from Shriners crippled children hospitals in Spokane and Portland, and hosts to the patients' brothers, sisters and parents.

Some 75 persons attending the party went through 40 pounds of turkey and 15 pounds of ham.

Shriners and their wives held a party of their own later in the evening.

Santa Claus dropped in at the YMCA again during an 8 to 12 p.m. Christmas party for 14-to-18-year-old members of the competitive swimming class and intermediate leaders.

He handed out candy kisses during that visit.

Today, Santa will give presents and refreshments to 77 children of members of 800

Friday Smashing Day For Island Driver

NANAIMO—For Ralph A. Myers of Wellington, Friday was something less than a lucky day. At 7:45 p.m., his car collided with one driven by James A. Archibald of Pleasant Valley, while the vehicles were being driven on Departure Bay Road.

At 11 p.m. he again was involved in a collision, this time with a car driven by Gerald O. Beck of Nanaimo Bay, while both were on Jingle Pot Road. Total damage in both crashes was \$1,200.

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BOY SOLOIST at Christ Church Cathedral, Billy Dyson will sing "Once in Royal David's City" as the choir enters for the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols at 4 p.m. today. He is the son of Cdr. and Mrs. R. E. Dyson, 1151 Clovelly Terrace. —William Boucher photo.

Frank C. Swannell:

Soldier, Writer, World Traveller

By VIVIENNE CHADWICK

The other evening it was my pleasure to meet a gentleman who has accomplished so much in his lifetime, and packed it so full of adventure and worthwhile endeavor that the more lightly lived years of some of us, lesser mortals these, seem thin and pale by comparison. And if that reads like the unctuous platitudes of an after-dinner speech at a retirement banquet I tender no apology. Because that's the way it is.

Frank C. Swannell, D.L.S., B.C.L.S., explorer, soldier, writer, and world traveller, has recently returned home to Victoria from his latest round-the-globe-and-way-points junketing—a year and a half this time—and already one can see that he is quietly contemplating the next one.

He is 83. And his quarters at the Aberdeen Hotel on McClure Street are rich with the spoils of his years. Route-marked maps, pictures, mementoes and tributes from friends everywhere—friends he has met abroad, who continue to keep in touch with him.

His mail is voluminous, because he is obviously the type of voyager who, appreciative, cosmopolitan in outlook, knowledgeable, collects unto himself kindred spirits.

"I really must get at my Christmas cards," he said. And they will be written in half a dozen different languages and go to many corners of the earth.

Frank Swannell's outstanding contribution to his country and its progress was, of course, the spectacular exploratory survey he made 50 years ago of the headwaters of the Finlay and McKenzie Rivers, the massive diary of which, illustrated with scores of photographs, is now history, and has been given to the Provincial Archives. The ancient campsite blaze of Lieutenant Henry Palmer's Survey Camp No. 8, dated 1862, also to be seen in the Archives, is there because Surveyor Swannell found it when he was mapping the Bella Coola-Dean River country in 1925, cut it from its parent tree, and brought it back to Victoria.

The difficult and dangerous earlier survey of the province's murderous rivers took many months, and the surveyor and his three-man crew were homeward bound when, shooting the rapids on a day in October, 1914, their attention was caught by a red flag of sorts attached to a sweep ashore. They ran in to investigate, and discovered, wrapped in canvas for the benefit of trappers and such, a newspaper in which was the announcement of England's declaration of war. Less than three months later Private Swannell was in the 88th Fusiliers.

Mutiny

He went to France, took part in the second Battle of Ypres the day after he arrived, was wounded at Festubert, and later transferred to the Royal Garrison Artillery as 2nd Lieutenant. Two years later he joined the Royal Engineers, and after the Armistice was sent with them to Northern Russia as acting captain. Here, while engaged on survey work, he ran into an extraordinary situation. Russian soldiers, members of Dyer's Battalion, mutilated, murdering several British and Russian officers.

"They were in collusion with the Bolsheviks on the other side of the fence," said Frank Swannell, and went on with the story.

A corporal came running to acquaint his

superior with the news. Together the two men dashed out to see what was happening, and suddenly found themselves under fire, in open ground. They ran for the safety of an embankment, but Capt. Swannell was badly wounded in the shoulders and would have died then and there but for the fact that the corporal, his batman, pulled him to safety.

"I wish I knew what happened to that man," he mused. "I've always hoped he was safe. And," he added, "we neither of us would have had a chance in the world but for the fact that the mutineers and their friends were using stolen British rifles which they didn't understand."

For his services with the Dvina River Expeditionary Force at that time he was later awarded the Russian Cross of St. Anne.

In the years following he returned to British Columbia and to his explorations, and when the Second World War came along he was attached to the RCAF as senior assistant engineer, making detailed surveys of the Pacific Coast.

World Traveller

In between these labors he had travelled the world over, at first with his wife, and later, after her death, alone. He has been everywhere, and is at home everywhere. The fat diaries of his various junketings are erudite, bright with humor, and intensely interesting. And in between the notes, all in that meticulous surveyor's script, are pasted the photographs, cards, tickets, menus, excerpts from folders, and stamps from innumerable countries, which add to the travelogue.

An out-giving person collects colorful memories. Frank Swannell relates with amusement an occasion on board ship when, doubtless persona grata on the bridge, he occupied himself by taking a fix with the ship's sextant and retiring to his cabin to work out, according to approved survey technique, their position. Four hours later he triumphantly presented his findings to his friend, the captain, who, unimpressed, snorted. "That is where we were four hours ago! What I have to know, when I do this sort of thing, is where I am now!"

He remembers a Christmas day on ship-board when he wandered aft with a bottle of whisky (presumably the other passengers and the officers were elsewhere on celebrations of their own), and found the crew happily employed with a large bowl of punch. They gleefully dumped his whisky into this, and they all continued their merry-making together. This may have been the occasion—and I'm not quite sure of this, nor, I think, is he—when he was later accused of inciting these innocent boys to mutiny with, amongst other things, wicked stories of a tropic isle he knew, where a shortage of grass naturally resulted in a shortage of grass skirts.

Spain, he says, is the European country

he knows best. And his Christmas of last year he spent there at Ibiza, where they were having, unfortunately, the coldest winter in over 80 years. The guests at the hotel, in which there was no heat except the occasional little basket of charcoal to set beside one's chair, were so frozen they threatened to leave in a body unless something were done about it. A hastily improvised Yuletide treat of rock candy failed to mitigate the situation.

At Tenerife he had an unlucky accident. He uses a walking-stick, which suddenly snapped as he was negotiating a companion-way, and the ensuing nasty fall landed him in bed at the nearest hotel for some time, a misfortune complicated by the fact that the only doctor available could speak none of the languages his patient spoke!

He has been three times to Japan, and has toured the British Isles, Norway, Sweden and Denmark extensively.

Grim Relics

In Sweden some of his outstanding memories are of the contents of the museum there . . . the uniform of Charles 12th, the Warrior King, killed in battle in 1718; the stuffed body of the horse ridden by Gustavus Adolphus into his last engagement, from which the animal returned with empty saddle; and three mud-died, bloodied shirts, taken from the looted body of the king—all that was left—when his remains were found by his followers.

Another impressive exhibit was the royal ship Vasa, whose story is a strange one. A warship, with heavy cannon and a store of treasure aboard, she inexplicably sank when only two hours outward bound on her maiden voyage. 330 years later, in 1958, she was finally raised from her bed of preservative mud, which gave back in remarkable condition skeletons, clothing, coins, and the captain's table still set with pewter and silver.

In Greece, whose fabulous history of culture and beautiful, ancient ruins must ever move the sensitive almost to tears—who could forget Sir Compton Mackenzie's last touching television tribute to "The Glory That Was Greece?"—Frank Swannell spent magic hours, and his photographs are very fine, including one of the helmet of Miltiades, worn at the Battle of Marathon in 490 B.C. and given by him as a votive offering to the temple.

Ask a Silly Question . . .

It was in these historic islands that our traveller ran into some "innocents abroad." Viewing the remains of an ancient bronze statue of a charioteer, of which all that was left of the horses were the hooves, a nearby tourist asked what it was.

"That's The Charioteer," explained Mr. Swannell.

"What's a charioteer?" the woman wanted to know.

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By ERITH M. S.

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By ERITH M. SMITH

A Victorian who spent the month of his 24th birthday shooting down enemy aircraft over the North African desert is marking another birthday today—still more or less up in the air in his work.

Vernon Crompton Woodward went on from those aerial victories of 1940 to become one of the Royal Air Force's most successful fighter pilots of the Second World War.

So calm was he about his hectic job that he earned the nickname "Imperturbable Woody"—plus the Distinguished Flying Cross and bar.

Vernon Woodward is one of four Canadians whose heroic ability in the air battles of that war are recorded in a book recently compiled by E. C. R. Baker and published in England. The others from this country are George "Screwball" Buerling of Verdun, near Montreal; H. W. "Wally" McLeod of Regina, and Russell Bannock of Edmonton.

In the book *The Fighter Aces of the RAF* these men and their exploits are given their rightful place among the heroes of all nations who "scrambled" with the RAF against the toughest fighters of the German and Italian air forces from 1939 to 1945.

"Woody" Woodward is the oldest son of Mrs. Dorothy Vernon Woodward, 780 Richmond, born Dec. 22, 1916. His family for years had owned and operated a greenhouse on Fairfield Road and a florist shop on Fort Street that were Victoria landmarks.

His eyes constantly on the sky, young Vernon was educated at St. Michael's private school and at Victoria High School, and as soon as that phase of his education was completed tried to join the Royal Canadian Air Force.

He was disappointed, but not stopped, when he learned the equivalent of a university degree was necessary to win a commission in the RCAF. He just kept going, and in the summer of 1938 arrived in England to seek out the RAF.

There he fared better; was sent to a civil flying school where he passed with flying colors and was given a short-service RAF commission as a pilot trainee.

Following eight months at a flying training school he was posted to the Middle East, joining 33 Squadron stationed at Amriya.

First Action

"Although he was operational from the day war broke out, he had no chance of showing his quality as a fighter pilot until June, 1940, when the first campaign in Libya began with an Allied offensive. Within a few days 'Woody,' flying in an old but robust Gloster Gladiator, was showing the cool, calm judgment which was to earn him the nickname of 'Imperturbable' and which was also to help him to become one of the leading aces of the first campaign in the desert.

"On the 14th June, Woody was in the Desert Air Force's first action against the Italians, who had just entered the war . . . his flight intercepted a number of Italian CA 100 bombers, escorted by Fiat CR 32s over Fort Capuzzo and in the resulting dogfight Woody shot down a bomber in flames, his first confirmed kill, and then scored hits on a CR32 which he last saw diving towards the ground with smoke streaming out behind it.

"A fortnight later in another dogfight over Bawit, Woody shot down two Fiat CR32s. He claimed his fourth victim, a Fiat CR32 this time, on the 24th July and on the same day also probably destroyed another of these Italian fighters."

One of Canada's Top Four

'Woody' Woodward, Fighter 'Ace'



VERNON CROMPTON "WOODY" WOODWARD

The following day proved memorable. Woody was on patrol with another aircraft when they were attacked out of the sun by a squadron of CR42s. Fortunately the Italians, perhaps excited by the prospect of an easy victory, missed with their first shots, and soon had lost three of their number to Woody and his friend—one each and one shared.

Then the other Gladiator was shot down and Woody, left to face the seven remaining enemy aircraft alone, elected to meet them head-on. The battle raged for an eternity that was really seven or eight minutes, and then the Italians, out of fuel or ammunition, pulled out.

Back at his base, he found his plane marked by only three bullet holes!

"It was December, 1940," writes Mr. Baker, "before Woody shot down his next victim, and then in a period of three weeks from the 9th to the 29th he destroyed five CR42s, probably destroyed another fighter of the same type, and damaged four more enemy aircraft."

Early in 1941 Woody's squadron was re-equipped with Hurricanes and moved to Greece where, in the faster-paced dogfights made possible by the new planes, Woody soon shot down a Fiat G50.

Although a heavy toll was exacted from the German and Italian planes in the Greek fighting, 33 Squadron had to pull back to Crete—now with only four Hurricanes surviving.

No Survivors

"By the 18th May," Mr. Baker's account continues, "all the Hurricanes had been wrecked, most of them on the ground by the constant strafing of the Luftwaffe, and for a fortnight or so the squadron's pilots and ground crews fought side by side with the army, in fierce hand-to-hand fighting with the German paratroops."

"The seven pilots who were fit for flying duties were then evacuated to Amriya, where they joined 30 Squadron, and soon after arrival Flt-Lieut. Woodward learned that he had been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. The

citation credited him with at least 11 enemy aircraft destroyed (actually he had 19 confirmed victories at the time) and paid tribute to his 'outstanding courage, determination and vigor' and 'his fighting spirit and keenness which have set a splendid example'."

Woody's score continued to mount, and his last air victory came on July 12 when he brought down a Junkers 88.

His final score: 21 destroyed, five probably destroyed, 11 damaged in air combat, two destroyed on the ground. He was at this time the top-scoring Canadian ace, with a total not exceeded until more than a year later by "Screwball" Buerling.

Buerling, by the way, with a total of 31½ destroyed in combat, ranked sixth of all the RAF fighter pilots in the war.

Convoy Escort

Flt-Lieut. Woodward completed his first tour of operations in September, 1941, when he went to a flying training school in Rhodesia as flying instructor. There he remained until January, 1943, when he returned to the Middle East as commanding officer of 213 Squadron whose job was guarding convoys along the African coast, under orders not to attack unless the convoys were attacked.

In spite of their efforts to lure the Luftwaffe into combat, the enemy fighters always kept their distance, so although Woody was fully operational for nine months on this job he was unable to get in any more air fighting. His achievements were recognized, however, with a bar to his DFC.

He left this command in September, 1943, for a posting to headquarters staff of the Middle East Air Force where he remained until April, 1945, when he was given command of a communications squadron flying Lodestars and Dakotas.

"Woody," Mr. Baker's account concludes, "returned to England in 1946 and after accepting a permanent commission in the RAF in 1948, commanded 19 Squadron, flying Hornets. He became wing leader of a fighter wing in Germany

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CITIZENS FLOCKED TO ROYAL OPENING

By JAMES K. NESBITT

It was one of the great social events in the life of this capital city—the opening of the gleaming new Royal Victoria Theatre, in Christmas week of 1913.

It was 50 years ago, and those who were there that night are still talking about it. The Royal Theatre was said to be as good as any theatre of its size in London, New York or San Francisco. It is a typical Broadway theatre, acoustically splendid, small enough to be cosy, and yet in the grand manner. One somehow felt elegant at the Royal—and still does.

I was not there that December night of 1913, but for more years than I care to remember the Royal has been part of my life in my native city. I look back to my childhood and my boyhood days, and a "night out" at the Royal was a big event indeed. It was glamorous—seeing London and New York people performing right before my eyes on a stage in Victoria.

When I was a small boy I used to sneak in the stage door and stand in the wings, and always I felt guilty, but delighted, too, that I'd made it, and Cliff Denham, the manager, was very kind. I was not supposed to be there, but Mr. Denham pretended not to see me as he went by.

Yes, on more than one occasion I was thrown out by a stagehand, who, I thought, was being officious. I remember seeing "Able's Irish Rose" while hiding in the wings, and I remember standing there, entranced, when the great, contralto Marguerite Matzenauer sang grand opera. She was dripping with jewels and her dress was spattered with diamonds, and I remember thinking what an enormous woman she was. But her voice—I can hear it yet, and it was enormous, too. A diva, I think she was called.

A tremendous fuss was made in the Victoria papers when the Royal was opened. It took the place of the old Victoria Theatre, which stood where Eaton's Douglas-View corner is today. I'm told I once did an Irish jig in that theatre, but, if so, I've no recollection of it.

Elite Were There

The new Royal, on its opening night, attracted the elite of Victoria, for none other than Otis Skinner himself was playing, in Kismet, in which he'd made a hit all over North America.

And who opened it? Why, of course, naturally—the white-haired, handsome premier himself, Sir Richard, McBride, newly knighted by his sovereign, an actor of politics, a distinguished figure who graced any assemblage.

The *Colonist* said: "The Royal Victoria Theatre, royal in the sumptuousness of its decorations, and royal in its sovereign suzerainty over the playhouses of the west—was opened . . . amid a splendor that has seldom been equalled in the social annals of Victoria."

"There was not a vacant seat in the house when Sir Richard McBride stepped onto the stage to make his address—and at the close of his speech the premier presented a loving cup to Mr. Simon Leiser, president of the Victoria Opera House."

Before the curtain went up and Kismet started, "Mrs. J. Macdonald Fahey (Miss Winifred Lugrin) stepped forward and, accompanied by the orchestra, sang 'Rule Britannia,' the audience standing up to join in the refrain. Mrs. Fahey was attired in an exquisite gown of white embroidered satin, trimmed with fur and rhinestone. She wore a coronet of silver in her hair."

It was quite a number of years later that I—and I can hardly believe it now—actually



LADY McBRIDE was at the opening, superbly costumed. But not in the creation pictured here. This was her gown for presentation at the Court of King George V and Queen Mary two years before.—(Archives photo.)

sang a solo on Royal stage. At the risk of dating myself, I'll tell you the movie was "Peck's Bad Boy," with Charlie Chaplin and the child wonder, Jackie Coogan. In those days there was always a short stage performance between showings of the film.

Benedict Bantly was Royal organist then, and manager Mr. Denham asked him if he knew a small boy who might sing a song or two. Mr. Bantly telephoned my mother, and I was signed on for a week—two songs a night, for \$20 the week. I had never earned so much money in my life. They dressed me up like Peck's bad boy—slouch cap, torn trousers, heavy, scuffed boots, ragamuffin sweater, dirty face.

The stage was darkened, and I crept on and sang "Mother Machree." Then, instructed to look mischievous, I hurled a stone through a window—glass crashed off stage—and I dashed, frightened, and hid in a garbage can. Then a burly policeman strode on stage, looking for me, and I peered out of the garbage can, but he did not find me, and when he went, I got out of the garbage can and sang "I Passed by Your Window."

Scared Off Key

My mother was with me for two nights, and then she said it was time I made my own way in the world, and that night she did not come with me and I was so scared I went flat, and dear Benny Bantly nearly tore his hair out.

The engagement was a great success, I believe, until Saturday night when the girls at

Kirkham's grocereria, where I wrapped parcels after school, sent me an enormous bouquet of red roses and carnations. I was so humiliated I would not accept them over the footlights, and fled into the dark recesses of the cavernous stage, and that humiliated my mother no end, and insulted the girls, who vowed, over the packages of bread and bacon, that they could not understand my sudden shyness, and said it was nothing but a show of Irish sulkiness.

Opening night of the Royal 50 years ago was brilliant. I read the list of the very most important guests in *The Colonist*, and what the ladies wore was described in detail:

"Among those noticed were the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. T. W. Paterson, the latter wearing pale green silk, with an overdress of white net embroidered in pink. With them were Senator and Mrs. George Riley, the latter in pale green satin, with hand-made Bruges lace.

"Lady McBride was with Sir Richard, and she was attired in a handsome gown of silver brocade, trimmed with shadow lace. Miss Mary McBride was wearing white crepe de chine, and Miss Peggy McBride was in pink crepe de chine, and Miss ("Tina") Mowbrey, also in the premier's party, was in white.

"Mrs. J. S. H. Matson was wearing a French confection of green satin with velvet and silk of the same shade, and silver trimmings; Miss Vivian Matson was with her mother, and she was in white silk. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Croft were there, the latter in a handsome gown of silver gauze over purple chiffon. Mrs. Hickman Tye wore black silk, relieved with touches of blue.

"The Hon. James and Mrs. Dunsmuir drove in from Hatley Park with their daughter, Miss Muriel. Mrs. Dunsmuir was in gold charmeuse, brocaded in black. Miss Muriel wore blue charmeuse, with bugle trimmings, and Mrs. John Hope sat with her parents and sister, all in black and white.

Glamour Gowns

"Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Elliott, the latter wearing a most effective rainbow tinted gown of blue and mauve chiffon; Miss Ruth Elliott in pink over white satin, with Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Fraser and Mr. H. C. Brewster (he was, in 1916, to become the first Liberal premier of British Columbia) . . .

"The Hon. and Mrs. William Templeman were in a box, the latter in a black satin gown, with an overdress of black sequin net, and Miss McAdam was in pale blue satin with white sequin tunic.

"Dr. and Mrs. Hermann Robertson, she in white lace over white satin; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Robertson, in black crepe de chine, and the Hon. and Mrs. D. M. Eberts, the latter in pale yellow satin, the overdress being embroidered with pink roses and sequin trimmings . . .

"The attorney-general and Mrs. William Bowser, the latter wearing green chiffon with an overdress of white lace; Miss Bowser in pink chiffon; their niece, Miss Irving from New Brunswick, in an apricot ninon, and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Doherty of Vancouver, Mrs. Doherty wearing golden brown eoline, and the Hon. W. R. Ross, and Mrs. Ross, striking in pink satin.

"Mr. and Mrs. Gavin H. Burns, the latter in white brocaded satin; Miss Flora Hamilton Burns in white crepe de chine, and Miss Patricia in white satin; Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Lugrin, the latter in blue satin with black lace overdress; their daughter, Mrs. E. Brunswick Shaw in pale blue satin with crystal overdress, and Miss Nellie Lugrin, in primrose colored satin with white lace tunic."

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OUT of TRIBULATION An ARTIST EMERGES

Sometimes people wonder if they are entering the right building when they step into Pearson Hospital, for the corridors reflect beauty like an ever-changing art gallery. Here they see landscapes and seascapes of the British Columbia northwest, skilfully executed by a polio patient, David Young.

This first impression of admiration and awe is heightened when it is learned that the artist paints from a wheelchair with a brush clenched in his teeth. David is almost completely paralyzed by polio—and in fact breathes by a combination of neck muscles and frog-breathing. His story is a classic of triumph in the face of nearly overwhelming obstacles.

Seven years ago, David, then 18, contracted polio in the small fishing village of Sointula. His life, up to this point, had consisted of summer logging and of following his father's footsteps as a salmon fisherman. He loved the outdoors, hunting and vigorous physical activity. Suddenly this life ceased and, after a year of hope for full recovery, he had to face grim reality from a wheelchair in Pearson Hospital.

In the next year, a patient staff tried, without much success, to interest David in a variety of activities. First, typing with a mouthstick, then basket-weaving and finally braiding. But quickly his interest flagged.

It seemed that Fate now took a hand in the form of an attractive young occupational therapist. As David himself tells it:

"We went along just for kicks," he smiled. "After all, what could we lose, and she was sure pretty." I started, of all things, on a number-painting and I was so thrilled by my accomplishment, primitive though it was, that I started immediately on another."

From this moment on, David was caught up by the fascination of painting. And now came encouragement and stimulation, not to mention discipline, in the form of a teacher. Dr. Eric Loewe appeared on the scene, himself a painter and a doctor of philosophy. Patiently, sometimes sternly, he started to guide David in the intricacies of drawing, color-combination, form and the other mysteries involved in the production of beautiful canvases.

Within the first year David had actually sold several paintings. Encouraged to paint the things with which he was familiar he started to paint the sea, shorelines and, most of all, boats. David loves boats and paints them with skill and knowledge: seiners, trawlers, gill-netters and

the occasional sailing-rig set in seas that move, shimmer and beckon.

As a change of pace, David paints woods and the logging operations he remembers. In the past four years, there has been a constant

By BERT HUDSON

demand for his canvases with often several bidding for a particularly appealing scene. Part of the proceeds have already purchased for David an electric wheelchair which gives him more mobility.

I asked David if he had always made steady progress.

"God, no!" he replied. "Sometimes I've worked for weeks to make an idea come alive, then finally junked it. But, you know," he continued,

"I'm still learning." In fact that's what I like about it, there is always something new to try. I'm getting better at human figures now and I don't make nearly so many false starts."

"How about Dr. Loewe?" I queried. "Do you understand him?"

"It was difficult at first," David smiled wryly, "and when I didn't understand why my picture had gone wrong, he used to take a brush and demonstrate quickly on a painting what I'd been attempting for a couple of weeks, and of course, renders the painting something else entirely! But now he is able to point out my mistakes and I do the correcting."

I asked him about using the brush in his mouth.

"It is as natural as working with hands now," David replied. "Sometimes I'm amused to hear people say that even with hands they couldn't paint as well. Funny thing is . . . neither could I! In this connection," he continued, "I feel very strongly that my paintings



DAVID YOUNG at work on one of his canvases, above, and an example of his impressive painting.

should stand on their own merit, not as a remarkable trick but considered in the light of artistic integrity."

I feel sure that the many delighted possessors of David's paintings feel the same. David paints happily with no time to dwell on his misfortune and, his young, crew-cut head bent thoughtfully, plans his next picture—of a clam-digger, a native dug-out canoe or coastal mountain peak.

'WOODY' WOODWARD, FIGHTER 'ACE'

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comprising four squadrons of Hunters, and later commanded a squadron of Canberras, first in Germany and then in Malta."

Still 'In Business'

The Victorian, who last visited his home city in 1952 just before the death of his father, is now in Sydney, Australia—and still in "air business."

With another man he has started what for that Commonwealth is a new venture, called Air Force Facilities. They sell planes and plane parts, and Woody still finds himself flying when a customer wants delivery of a new aircraft.

Right now, his mother says, he's hoping to make a sale on this continent, so he'll have a good excuse to fly home for another visit.

Woody is not the only flier in the family.

His sister Brenda married Dave Duncan, an RCAF pilot during the war who spent some time as an instructor at Pat Bay. Today—and for some years now—he is a pilot with the Celgar Company, flying out of Nakusp.

A younger brother is John Douglas (Jack) Woodward, who has always kept his eyes on the sea. A boat-builder since his youth, he has for years been active with the Royal Victoria Yacht Club and works fittingly enough at HMC Dockyard.

Woody's mother, naturally, is tremendously proud of her son's achievements, and pleased with their recognition in this book on the RAF's finest fighters.

"I have always been a little surprised," she says, "that Vernon has not received recognition from his home city or the Canadian government."

"Almost the only tribute he received from here was a letter of congratulations from (the late) John Hart, then premier of British Columbia."

THIS WEEK'S ANAGRAM

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It Happened on the West Coast

HOW MCGUFFIE FOUND

I made the discovery once that in the pilot house of a patrolling police boat you are most likely to hear stories of absorbing interest; not only stories of wind and weather, but of human frailty, and the vagaries of life, some of it downright funny.

CECIL CLARK

feature



Mr. Clark retired as assistant commissioner of the old B.C. Provincial Police at the time of its disbandment and the assumption of provincial responsibilities by the RCMP.

With long hauls between anchorages, it's only natural that you should hear much of how the other half lives from the "man behind the wheel". A raconteur of rare type, with an eye for the humorous aspects of life, was one-time Corporal Norman Furniss of the B.C. Provincial Police, skipper of a police boat I had occasion to travel in some 30 years ago.

To background what I'm about to relate let me first tell you that police patrol boats in those days had been standardized to a sturdy, 75-foot diesel-engined craft known by number prefixed by the letters PML (for police motor launch) and operating from bases along the coast from Ganges north to Prince Rupert.

Although they were first and foremost police officers, the usual three men aboard functioned as skipper, engineer and cook, one of the three usually doubling as wireless operator.

Came a day when the well-known hazards of Vancouver Island's west coast (which I'll refrain from referring to as the "graveyard of the Pacific") demanded a vessel more impressive, which is how the "Margaret S" became queen of the law enforcement fleet.

A hundred feet long, her stout, wooden hull was put together with the old-fashioned skill that is the Nova Scotian's heritage. Strangely enough, like many another Lunenburg craft she was built (at a cost of around \$75,000) for smuggling. For years after her launching she was part of a rum running fleet operating between the French islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, off the Newfoundland coast, down to New York. With the repeal of the Volstead Act in 1933 she was brought round to Victoria and offered for sale. After Lloyds had declared her sound as the day she was built, the B.C. Police acquired her for \$23,000 and converted her into a smart and commodious patrol boat. Her big fuel tanks that gave her a cruising radius of 5,000 miles were declared unnecessary, and their removal gave room for a courtroom; and the vast hold that once held bottled goods was turned into a series of comfortable cabins for the crew.

Bill Was Cook

Re-named PML 14, manned by a six-man police crew, for years she was a familiar sight to coast dwellers from Port Renfrew to Kyauquot. From her base at Alberni she usually stayed on patrol about 20 days a month and on the occasion that Furniss recalled, Sergt. Harold Riley was the skipper. Furniss was sort of deck officer and quartermaster, and in addition there was a wireless operator, a couple of engineers, and last but not least Bill McGuffie, the cook. Bill, stockily built and phlegmatic, was always a match for any frenzy the wild coastal gales occasioned in his galley, and never failed to provide the best in meals.

Apart from this, Bill had a lot of quiet guts, evidenced by his record with the Scots Guards in the First World War. Of course, as time went on there were the usual changes in the crews which accounted for the fact that on the morning this story was told me Norman Furniss was skipper of a smaller police craft plying the Gulf of Georgia out of Powell River. His particular job on this particular morning was to take me to Alert Bay; and it was while we chatted in the wheelhouse, passing Harwood Island northbound, that he was suddenly moved to remark:

"Ever hear of Useless Evans?"

I confessed I hadn't. "Used to live in a cabin at the head end of Useless Inlet off Barkley Sound." "Lived all alone," he went on. "Behind the cabin was a lake. We used to call it Useless Lake."

He paused to stare at something dead ahead; a pause, recognized as stock in trade of all good story tellers. Then he added: "Had a lot of useless fish in it, too."

Old Sea Rover

"Anyway," he went on, "old Useless had been skipper of a sailing ship before quitting the sea years before down in Victoria. What made him pick on Useless Inlet I couldn't say. However, when we were in PML 14 we used to drop anchor there occasionally, just to see how the old man was getting on. We almost expected to find him dead in his bunk every visit. You never can tell about these old characters living off the beaten track."

He paused to light a cigarette, then went on: "Old Useless had two stock stories we had to put up with every time we called. One was about the time he made the fastest run in sail from Liverpool to Esquimalt, something, I think, like 89 days. The other was a yarn about some millionaire's yacht that had once come into the Inlet and how he showed 'them townies' how to catch fish."

"Every time we went ashore it was the same; the two stories always came up. Once he forgot to tell us the one about the fastest run, so our skipper brought it up. 'There was an old fellow died down in Victoria a month or two ago,' said Riley. 'You might have known him; had the record for the fastest run from Liverpool to Esquimalt, 95 days.'"

"The old man fairly exploded. 'He's a liar!' he cackled. 'Did I ever tell you about the time . . . ?' Away he went, word for word."

"It was around Christmas one year that we called in," went on the corporal, "and the skipper and I went ashore as usual. The old boy was still around, his shack in the usual state of filth and disorder. He looked maybe a little thinner and if anything a little more dis-

organized; so we invited him aboard for a meal. Sure looked as if he needed it."

"But first," went on Norman, "he had to do the coastwise honors—have us sample his home brew. Everybody along the coast in those days made some sort of brew, all of it horrible. It was usually some conglomeration of dried fruit, sugar and a yeast cake in a gallon or two of water."

"Well, old Useless had the usual set-up; a dirty old crock behind the stove with something liquid in it, kept warm by draping his underwear or his overalls around it. We dipped out some and sipped it. Wow! But we couldn't hurt the old man's feelings. We agreed it was wonderful."

"He accepted our invitation to dinner with a sort of lordly grace, for he never let you forget that he was the ex-master of a deep sea ship. His preparation for dinner was simple. He ran his fingers through his hair, and put on his mackinaw."

"Dinner that night was up to Bill's standard, which meant it was terrific; for in all the years he cooked on the boat, everyone agreed that his grub was wonderful. This night he outdid himself, with roast beef, Yorkshire pudding, baked potatoes, and ending up with hot mince pies."

"I could see," he continued, "that although old Useless was really enjoying the meal, something in his deep-sea background held back any comment. Maybe cooks didn't rate so high in his estimation, so no recognition was needed. Riley wouldn't let it pass, however, and sort of forced the old boy into a word or two of praise. However, you could still detect the contrary streak in the old man for though he grudgingly admitted the meal was good, he added, 'I could give your cook a few pointers on making pies.'"

Blood in His Eye

"There was nothing wrong with the pies," went on Norman, "but I suppose he just had to assert himself. Trouble was McGuffie heard it in the galley, and he rushed out with blood in his eye. He'd have strangled the old man if we hadn't jumped up and got between them. Though it was smoothed out, it wasn't forgotten."

"Now if you knew Bill as we did you would have also known that at times he developed a man-sized thirst. Not that he overdid it, mind you; he was just never known to refuse. What you might call a quiet and serious drinker."

He smiled at a recollection. "I'll give you an idea. One summer night we were tied up to a float at Tofino. I was alone on board, just leaning on a rail, when through the gloom I spied old Bill heading down to the wharf; he'd been visiting some friends somewhere."

"On he came, steady as a rock, stumping along. When he got to the edge of the wharf (he never noticed me) he swung around with his back to the sea and started coming hand over hand down the slats nailed to the piling. There was a gap of about four feet between the float and the piling but Bill went steadily down, till first his feet touched the water, then in went his legs. When it was about up to his hips I yelled to him, 'Okay Bill, you're far enough!' So help me, he'd have gone clear down—he was feeling that good!"

"Where was I? Oh, yes, we got Bill and old Evans pacified after the meal and I guess it would be about 9 that night when I took

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old Useless back to shore in our dinghy. One of those nights with low overcast, pitch black and hard to get your bearings. However, I got him close to his cabin, and when he stepped ashore he thanked me again for the good dinner, but still with that touch of austerity befitting a deep-sea master. I detected also something on his mind and just before he stepped away he turned to say:

Gift for McGuffie

"I'm sorry about hurting McGuffie's feelings this evening, and I wonder if you'd take him back a little present, a bottle of my homebrew?"

"I waited on the beach until he reappeared with a dirty old beer bottle, a piece of rag stuffed in it. I thanked him and said I would deliver it."

"When I got back on board," Norman went on, "I went straight to my cabin and very quietly poured half of the concoction out the porthole. Then I filled the bottle up to the neck with gin."

"When I went along to the galley Bill was still doing some last-minute cleaning up."

"I just took old Useless ashore," I said, "and he asked me to tell you he's sorry for that crack about the pie."

"The hell with him!" growled Bill, not even bothering to look 'round.

"Oh, I wouldn't say that," I said. "He's not such a bad old fellow. Anyway, he sent you a present, a bottle of his homebrew."

"Throw it overboard," said Bill. "I don't want it."

"Now, that's not nice, Bill," I said. "I'll just put it up here on that shelf."

Dressed for a Party

"I stuck the bottle on a shelf and slipped out," said Furniss with a chuckle, "and for the next ten minutes just hung around on deck having a smoke. It was calm, on shore not a sound to be heard. Suddenly I was aware of some extra activity in the galley, so took a peek through a transom. Bill was polishing away at the top of the range and whistling 'Scotland the Brave.' It was a sure sign the Scots Guards were readying for action. I gave him a few minutes more, then I poked my head in the galley."

"He was now busy shaving himself."

"What's the idea, Bill? I asked. "A dance on somewhere?" If there was, it was 50 miles away."

"Bill turned to me with the razor in his



hand and says, 'I've been thinking it over. I guess I was mistaken about old Evans. Like you say, he's not such a bad old fellow. So I thought I'd just go ashore and thank him for the present—and take him back his empty bottle.'

"Poor old Bill. He got back late that night, but very quietly. Can you imagine him sitting up in that cabin gagging on old Evans' brew, and wondering all the time why it didn't match up to the sample?"

By now we were heading in to the float at Lund to make a landing.

"Just goes to show you," said the Corporal with a backward glance, after sliding aside the pilot house door. "It's the spirit that really counts in any Christmas gift."

The police names in this story have been disguised, but with the exception possibly of old Useless Evans, all are still around. Two, in fact, are now retired in Victoria, and the one-time Corporal, they tell me, is skipper of one of the government ferries.

To each of them, as well as all *Islander* readers, Merry Christmas!

CECIL CLARK.

FAITH ANGUS' Stamp Packet

A letter from Harmer, Rooke & Co. tells of fast climbing prices which reached full catalogue and more, at their Nov. 21-22 auction of BNA, British West Indies and Cape Triangles.

Most of the BWI fetched from 80 per cent to full catalogue. Many of the finest pieces had been in the T. Charlton Henry collection.

A magnificent used copy of the Newfoundland 1s, orange of 1860, cataloguing \$800, brought \$1,500. The 4p scarlet vermilion (cat. \$500) realized \$1,600 on cover. A bisected 8p (No. 8a) on cover

brought \$925 (cat. \$850) and a bisect of the 1s scarlet vermilion (No. 9a) on cover went for \$1,300.

Canada's 10p blue Cartier imperf. used and in superb condition sold for \$375, nearly three times its catalogue price of \$130; No. 8, the 1857 1/2p rose, imperf. unused, brought \$210 (cat. \$120). The perforated 1/2p rose, unused, realized \$375 (cat. \$160).

A Canada "small Queen" 6c chocolate, No. 43a, superb and unused, brought a record price of \$52.50, more than six times catalogue.

British Columbia and Vancouver Island 2 1/2p dull rose, imperf. brought \$425 (cat. \$275); the Van-



"Probably the finest in existence . . ." The Canada 7 1/2p, pruce, from the collection of Porfirio Congora of San Jose, Costa Rica.

RARE CANADIANS IN DEMAND

cover Island 10c blue, imperf. and used, full catalogue of \$250; the British Columbia 10c on 3p lilac rose No. 10), \$250 (cat. \$125); and a bright mint copy of the \$1 off 3p green (No. 13), \$250 (cat. \$165); Nova Scotia's 6p dark green, superb and used, \$230 (cat. \$120);

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It's a Red-Letter Day, so . . .

By MURIEL WILSON

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"At Christmas be merrie,
And thankful withal;
And feast with thy neighbors
The great and the small."
—An ancient injunction.

Here's that time again . . . the season when we open our hearts and our homes . . . the season when our greatest urge is to give happiness. Christmas is the time for family reunions . . . young people home for the holidays, children clamoring for parties and relatives and friends dropping in to extend the compliments of the season. Hospitality will be the keynote.

Excitement mounts . . . department store Santas are up to their whiskers in children, people jostle each other in the scurry of last-minute shopping, joy and gaiety are abroad in the land.

At home almost the last bundle has been smuggled in, the colorful litter of Christmas tree trimmings, wrapping paper and ribbon is everywhere. The pungent odor of pine and cedar together with the lovely kitchen fragrances fill the house. Laughter, excitement and anticipation are in the air.

Today's "Thought for Food" will be a pot pourri of recipes and ideas geared to hospitality.

The gayest of the Christmas colors is red, so we will begin with a simple but beautiful dessert, plus a tart filling that fits right in with our bright color theme. This filling can be made now and stored in jars for use when needed. Double the quantities for the filling and you'll be half-way ready to make our Frozen Cranberry Bombe dessert.

CRANBERRY-RAISIN TART FILLING . . . ½ cup raisins, 3 cups cranberries, 2 tbsp. cornstarch, 1½ cups sugar, ½ cup orange juice, 1½ tsp. vanilla and a pinch of salt. Combine the ingredients. Heat to boiling, stirring constantly. Cook until berries pop. Pour into hot sterilized jars to use later as tart filling or to make the Frozen Cranberry Bombe.

FROZEN CRANBERRY BOMBE . . . 1 qt. softened vanilla ice cream and 1 recipe of Cranberry-Raisin Tart Filling. Fold the filling into the softened ice cream. Fill a greased (brush with salad oil) ice cream or salad mold. Place in the freezer. Freeze. Unmold at serving time. This is a delicious but light dessert. A perfect "happy ending" for one of those hearty Christmas meals.

BRIDE'S CORNER

STUFFING FOR THE BIRD . . . If you are stuffing a turkey for the first time these notes will guide you . . .

BASIC STUFFING, sufficient for a 12 to 16-pound turkey or divide the recipe in half for a 5-6 pound chicken. Allow ¾ to 1 cup stuffing per pound of your bird: 14 to 16 cups loosely packed, day-old bread crumbs, 1 cup chopped onion, 1 cup chopped celery, using some leaves, ½ cup chopped parsley, ¾ cup to 1 cup melted butter, 2 tsp. salt, 2 tsp. poultry seasoning (more if you like it highly seasoned) and 1 tsp. MSG (Accent).

Saute onion and celery in part of the butter, just lightly, do not brown. Add to the seasoned crumbs with the balance of the melted butter and the parsley. Mix well. Pack into bird lightly. If there is any dressing over, pack in well-greased casserole or loaf pan and bake separately. Spoon a little of the drippings over it as it bakes.

There are a number of other ingredients that may be added . . . sausage meat . . . a pound to the above quantities, is liked by many. If this is added you may cut down a little on the butter.

Mushrooms add elegance, so do oysters; ½ pound of mushrooms is about right for this basic recipe or ¼ pint of oysters.

Always measure bread crumbs loosely.

Here's Some Color For Turkey Dinner

The color of Christmas is dramatic and triumphant . . . Let's use all the bright color accents in the food we serve at this festive season.

Christmas Trifle is another lovely dessert that can be made a day ahead of using . . . it too is gay and colorful . . .

CHRISTMAS TRIFLE . . . ½ lb. plain sponge or pound cake cut in fingers, ¼ cup sherry or fruit juice, ½ cup any bright red jelly or raspberry jam, ¼ cup blanched and slivered almonds, 2 cups soft rich custard, ¼ cup well drained and quartered maraschino cherries and 1 cup cream whipped.

Line a large dessert bowl with the cake fingers. Sprinkle cake with sherry. Spread the jelly or jam over the top. Sprinkle with the nuts. Fold the very well-drained cherries into the custard. Pour over cake. Just before serving top with whipped cream and garnish with a few extra maraschino cherries. Before refrigerating the cake and custard part of this recipe cover bowl with saran or foil to prevent a skin forming on top of the custard.

Here are 2 Christmas Pudding Sauces . . .

HARD SAUCE . . . ½ cup soft butter, 1 cup icing sugar, ½ tsp. vanilla or almond flavoring, 1 tbsp. cream or maraschino juice. Blend and cream well.

CARAMEL SAUCE . . . ¾ cup brown sugar, ½ cup white sugar, 1 tbsp. cornstarch, ½ cup water, 2 tbsp. butter, a dash of salt and 1 tsp. vanilla. Combine all the ingredients except the flavoring. Cook, stirring constantly, until thick. Add vanilla. This sauce may be thinned with sherry or brandy or with a little cream.

Curried fruit is a nice condiment

to go with turkey, chicken, goose or ham. Make this ahead to have on hand for the holiday meals.

CURRIED FRUIT . . . 1 tin each peaches, pears and pineapple and about a dozen maraschino cherries (preferably with the stems on), ¼ cup butter, ½ cup firmly packed light brown sugar and 2 tsp. curry powder. Drain the fruits well (save the juice for punch or cocktail mixer). Spread the fruit on a shallow, buttered baking dish. Melt the butter, stir in the sugar that has been mixed with the curry powder. Add 2 tbsp. of the fruit

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juice. Spoon over the fruit so it is well coated. Cover with foil down around the edge of the dish. Place in a 325° oven for about 1 hour.

There will be a bit of juice thickened if desired with a little water. Place fruit in a deep dish and pour juice over. Keep covered. May be served cold. It is colorful and flavorful. A fine garnish for turkey or ham.

I suppose turkey is the most popular of the Christmas dinner. Everyone's favorite way of cooking it. I part cover the bird with a butter-soaked cheesecloth, having first wrapped the wings and legs. This keeps these parts from coming dry. I keep the cheesecloth melted butter. This way gives a beautifully browned bird.

Don't stuff your turkey the day before. Wait to put your stuffing together just before roasting it. It is better, to prepare the stuffing ingredients before refrigerating.

Do not pack stuffing in too tight. It should be heavy. Consult your basic cooking times. Many things affect so allow 30 minutes leeway in serving.

The turkey will carve easier for resting time before carving.

To test for doneness . . . Run a knife into the thick part of the breast

hints from

Heloise

DEAR HELOISE:

I am interested in charity work. Our church often has bake sales, and so do all three of the schools my children attend.

Here is my method of delivering cakes, pies and cookies. Now I don't have to put my name on the pie plate to be sent back.

The trick is to use old victrola records!

If they are cracked, warped, wrong R.P.M. or just don't play any more, save them. Cover them with



foil! They make a perfect size platter for the cakes!

The covered records can also be used for cookies. After placing the cookies on the foil-covered music record . . . tear off a piece of plastic wrap, or use one of those nice bags that come from the cleaners . . . place the bag over the record,

gathering it at the bottom, and just see how much quicker it will sell at the bazaar when raffled off.

Church Worker

Wow! Aren't you smart? I tried using a foil-covered old record this week and to deliver a cake to a friend, and it's absolutely perfect. My friend thought it was wonderful and is going to save it to send another cake to one of her friends!

Heloise



either end of the bag, and your arms will stay paint-free while you are getting the job done! Save all the drips, cleaning spots off arms, etc.

Martha

DEAR HELOISE:

If women would use their glove-type pot holders to wax their floors . . . it sure will save their hands!

These gloves also get into the corners easily.

Manchester President

Now, aren't you really the smartest one? Who would have thought of that besides YOU?

I took an old glove and slipped it on, then dipped it in the wax.

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There will be a bit of juice which can be thickened if desired with a little cornstarch and water. Place fruit in a deep dish or jar and pour juice over. Keep covered. May be used hot or cold. It is colorful and flavorful. The fruit makes a fine garnish for turkey or ham platter.

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Don't stuff your turkey the day before. Do wait to put your stuffing together and stuff the bird just before roasting it. It is smart, however, to prepare the stuffing ingredients the day before, refrigerating.

Do not pack stuffing in too tightly or it will be heavy. Consult your basic cook book for roasting times. Many things affect cooking time so allow 30 minutes leeway in serving time.

The turkey will carve easier for a half hour resting time before carving.

To test for doneness . . . Run a metal skewer into the thick part of the breast and thigh. If



CRANBERRY TARTLETS, big and little, and a Frozen Cranberry Bombe.

done there will be no reddish tinge to the juice. If you use a thermometer (inserted between the top inside part of the thigh and the body of the bird) it should read 190° when done.

Also, season inside the body cavity as well as the outside and don't forget the MSG (Accent). Use it in the dressing and the gravy. It makes a difference.

Before taking your turkey, chicken or goose to the table put foil frills on the drumsticks. We used to use paper frills but the aluminum foil is a great improvement. Besides the nice glitter, no grease comes through. Cut about a 10-inch strip

of foil, six inches wide. Fold in half lengthwise and cut strips through the fold to within an inch of the edge. Make the cuts 1/4-inch wide. Carefully curl the ends with the back of a knife. A 10-inch strip will go 'round the end of the drumstick a couple of times but that makes it nice and frilly. Fasten the ends with a piece of Scotch tape.

Take time amidst the festivities to tell the children the old, old story of Mary and Joseph and the Babe in the manger, the shepherds on the hillside, the star of Bethlehem. Tell them of the Wise Men and their gifts and why we give gifts at Christmas time.

Heloise

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Church Worker

! Aren't you smart!
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ord this week and to
a cake to a friend,
s absolutely perfect.
end thought it was
ful and is going to
to send another cake
of her friends!

Heloise

HELOISE:
n painting anything
the side of your house,
ce of furniture, take
bag that vegetables
and cut the bottom
e bag on each forearm
put rubber bands at



either end of the bag, and your
arms will stay paint-free while
you are getting the job done!
Saves all the drips, cleaning
spots off arms, etc.

Martha

DEAR HELOISE:

If women would use their
glove-type pot holders to
wax their floors . . . it sure
will save their hands!

These gloves also get into
the corners easily.

Manchester President

Now, aren't you really
the smartest one? Who
would have thought of that
besides YOU?

I took an old glove and
slipped it on, then dipped it
in the wax.

Result?
No stains! No broken

fingernails (hitting base-
boards) and no messy hands
to clean. I then soaked the
soiled glove in some am-
monia water and later
washed it. It was soft as
silk, shrunk a bit and now
fits like an old shoe.

You are wonderful to tell
us this hint. Thanks mil-
lions.

Heloise

DEAR HELOISE:

I use shoe boxes in the chil-
dren's bureau drawers, where
their socks, panties, slips, etc.,
are kept.

These shoe boxes keep our
drawers neat and in order and
there is no need to rummage
through clothing looking for
things. It saves me time in
cleaning the drawers and
straightening things up.

E. K. Kirby

DEAR HELOISE:

My suggestion for care-
free plumbing is to cut a bit
of window-screening to fit
the top of your drain pipe,
and bind it with iron-on
tape. Laid over the drain in
the shower or tub or wash
basin at shampoo time, this
little piece of wire screening
catches all the lint, loose
hair, etc. Saves stopped-up

drains and lots of plumbing
bills.

Mrs. G. W. Hanscomb

She's right! Most times,
the top or cap of a drain in
the bottom of the shower
stall can be removed with
your hand or a screw driver.
Lift up this heavy piece of
metal. Set it aside.

Put a piece of screening
in here IF you have a "cross-
bar" under the cap (and I
never saw one that didn't,
but then . . . I haven't seen
them all). Don't cut the
screen too small. If it
crumples, it won't go down
the drain!

Heloise



SUNSHINE DOES IT!

DEAR HELOISE:

To get the odor out of
plastic bowls, set the clean
bowls in the sunshine for
several hours.

Mrs. M. F. Alderman

DEAR HELOISE:

An empty window-spray
bottle FILLED with turpen-
tine is very useful in the work-
shop or garage. Hands soiled
with grease or paint may be
sprayed and cleaned quickly.

Clark Argyle

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DEAR HELOISE:

Did you know that a dis-
carded electric light bulb
is wonderful to insert in a
man's stocking when darn-
ing it?

Reader

STAMP OUT WASTE



DEAR HELOISE:

When you want to re-
move good postage stamps
from envelopes:

Just dip a corner of the
envelope in boiling water
for a few seconds. The
stamp can be lifted off of
the envelope with a finger-
nail, thereby leaving just
enough glue, so that it can
be used again.

Stingy

EASY LET DOWN

DEAR HELOISE:

I use iron-on tape to hem
up trouser legs on my grow-
ing boy's pants!

It is far easier to remove
and replace . . . than to have
to rip out stitches and re-
sew them when it comes
time to lengthen the pants.

Alyse Williams

This feature is written
for you . . . the housewife
and homemaker. If you
have a hint, problem or
suggestion you'd like to
share . . . write to Heloise
today in care of this
newspaper.

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No Madison Avenue Blurb Can Match

By O. E. FRENCH

The snow is eight or ten feet deep. You have been snowshoeing uphill since first daylight. You have arrived at the last marten trap, just short of timberline—and the sun has been casting shadows east of north for the last hour. Late for lunch, but it won't be long now.

The first thing is kindling, and you have that, right in your hand. The larvae of a certain beetle, bless and curse it, often kill boughs of the Alpine fir. The needles of these limbs turn a rich, red-brown color, an eye-catching contrast to the green of the living branch. You've been watching for these and have a sizeable bouquet of them. Best fire-starter in the high hills.

You twist out of the packboard shoulder-straps, leave the bug-killed bouquet beside the pack and collect an armful of dry limbs. There are lots of them on the lower parts of the scrubby trees near timberline and they snap off easily—if they don't they're not dry and you don't want 'em. You carry your firewood back to the pack.

Now off come the snowshoes and, using one as a shovel, you scoop out a foot deep hole in the snow. You break limbs across your knee into suitable lengths and line the bottom of the snowhole with them: your fireplace.

You put the brown-brush bundle in the centre and break up the smaller boughs of the pile and arrange them around and over the kindling somewhat like a teepee, cone-shaped, leaving a door in this wooden tent on the side towards you. Now you strike a match and poke it through this door into the dry needles.

They catch, crackle and snap and throw sparks, but after a few seconds they are burned out. The limbs have caught and a steady flame is glowing at the centre.

Now you dig the newspaper-wrapped lunch out of the pack and take the coffee can out of its brown-paper bag—have to carry it in a bag or get everything in the pack blacked up. The can holds about a quart; none too much. You'll want every bit of it.

Hungry Man's Testimonial For 'SS' Coffee

There are two nail holes punched through the rim of the can opposite each other and a single strand of stovepipe wire makes a bail to bang it by. (Stovepipe wire is better on the trap-line than the "snarewire" of the story-book trappers.)

Now you take a long, smooth, fairly straight limb from your fuel pile, stick it into the snow and fill the coffee can with snow and hang it on the stick, adjusting it until it is just over the centre flame of the little fire.

While the snow is melting—doesn't take long—you put some dry sticks on each side of the fire and put the frozen slices of bannock and fried caribou meat on them to thaw out.

You only have a scant cupful of water from the first melting but it is hot and melts snow as you refill, so the third or fourth time finds the can about two-thirds full of water. Now you unwrap the half teacupful of coffee, make a trough of the paper it's in and pour those fragrant brown grains into the can. They spread over the surface at once as though eager to get going. You rehang the can over the fire. You continually replenish the fire, not waiting until it burns down but keeping it "up to strength."

The bannock is beginning to brown and the caribou steak to sizzle on one side, next the fire, and you turn them over.

Now you take the snowshoes and put one on top of the other, bottom side up, then jam the spiked-like rear ends into the snow at a 60 degree angle or steeper, according to how solid the snow is; then force them down to near horizontal and you have a springy chair, facing the fire. You locate your chair halfway be-

tween the woodpile and the coffee pole so you can reach both without getting up. Your leg muscles relax happily and your toes say thank you for release from the constricting snowshoe harness.

But, though relaxed and comfortable, you watch that coffee-can with an eye like a hungry hawk. This SS coffee-making is tricky.

You have a handful of snow ready and when the first heave of a boil shows on the foamy, yellow-brown surface you grab the pole, swing the can off the flame, administer a dollop of snow and swing it back over the flame. In a moment it foams up again and another lump of snow calms it down. Three or four swings and the surface of the brew is a clear, luscious-looking brown, every coffee grain gone to the bottom where it should be, not boiled over and wasted or floating disconsolately and reproachfully on the surface of your greedily-awaited drink.

Now you put in more snow until the can is almost brimful. You retrieve the caribou steak and toasted bannock and put them on part of the paper they were wrapped in; you use the rest of the paper to wipe the soot off the lip of the coffee can so you won't get it in your whiskers—Sure you drink it out of the can! You think you're going to get a china cup?

And what if there are a few odds and ends of moss, needles and bits of bark derived from that wind-blown snow? It's all clean, and there's so much coffee that all you taste is coffee. And not only do you taste it, you feel it, clear to the tips of your toes. It doesn't matter what the brand may be, SS—Snow Settled—coffee is good to the last dribbly drop.

CITIZENS FLOCKED TO ROYAL OPENING

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Years later I remember singing in the Royal in the old Victoria Operatic Society, under Madame Laura de Turczynowicz, a Canadian woman from Ontario who had married a Polish count.

(I can still spell that name, because I worked in The Times in those days, and the women's editor, now Senator Mrs. Nancy Hodges, spelled it out in large letters on a huge cardboard which she tacked to the wall.)

Madame, like Matzenauer, was an enormous woman, with a mass of white hair, a handsome woman, and she yelled at us to make us behave and sing louder, and she put on some really fine productions. I remember singing in the back row of the chorus line in *Boccaccio* and *Fra Diavolo* and *The Mikado*. There were sell-out houses for *Boccaccio*—the public thought we were doing the Decameron tales.

With other Victorians I've seen some of the world's great at the Royal—Marion Anderson and Amelita Galli-Curci and Tito Schipa, who brought the house down singing about a fickle woman. I remember hearing Jan Ignace Pawlowski play *Clair de Lune*, he and his piano bathed in blue light. I'll never forget John Charles Thomas at the Royal. How he could sing—whether it was opera or sacred music,

or of the last time he saw Paris or the song about Donald and John and I—the three small boys who went out sailing in their backyard in a soap box and fell sound asleep. No one, to me, could sing like John Charles Thomas. And Gracie Fields, too—how she rocked the stage of the dear old Royal with her aspidochelone, and then brought absolute silence with her *Ave Maria*.

I remember seeing Ethel Barrymore in *School for Scandal*, and I'll never forget the hats she wore; and I recall Sir John Martin Harvey in *The Lyons Mail* and beautiful Rose Bampton, my favorite female singer. And the night Margaret Truman sang there was a high-light. I can't recall whether she could sing or not, but she was indeed worth looking at—a happy young woman having the time of her life.

It was at the Royal I first saw Victoria's own Gertrude Huntley Green—a most perfect picture at a piano. And, ever since, I've worshipped at her shrine, and thrilled to her music.

Oklahoma came, and I could not stay away. I did not sneak into the stage door then, but paid my way to the gods, and I went every night, for six nights in a row. And whoever saw him can forget Paul Robeson in *Othello*?

The Royal has certainly given thousands of

us happy memories, and thrills and excitements we'll never forget.

The *Colonist* said of the opening night 50 years ago: "It was fortunate that the leading actor of the American stage should have been the first to tread the boards of the new playhouse, and although this is the third season in which Mr. Otis Skinner has starred in this play, he has probably never acquitted himself better in the role of Hajj, the beggar."

When the play was over, and the bursts of applause came, Skinner himself went before the footlights, and said: "It has indeed been a pleasure to play in this magnificent new playhouse. It is without question the finest theatre in the Dominion of Canada, and, in fact, there are very few to equal it on this continent."

"The acoustics are perfect, and although I have played the part of Hajj many times, the spirit of the new playhouse has tonight made me feel as if I was playing the character for the first time."

"It is an inspiring sight for an actor to see a theatre packed from the first row to the back of the house, and I hope that the representative audience which has greeted our play tonight will be an augury of future prosperity."

And so we who had happy hours in the Royal wish the dear place another 50 years at least.

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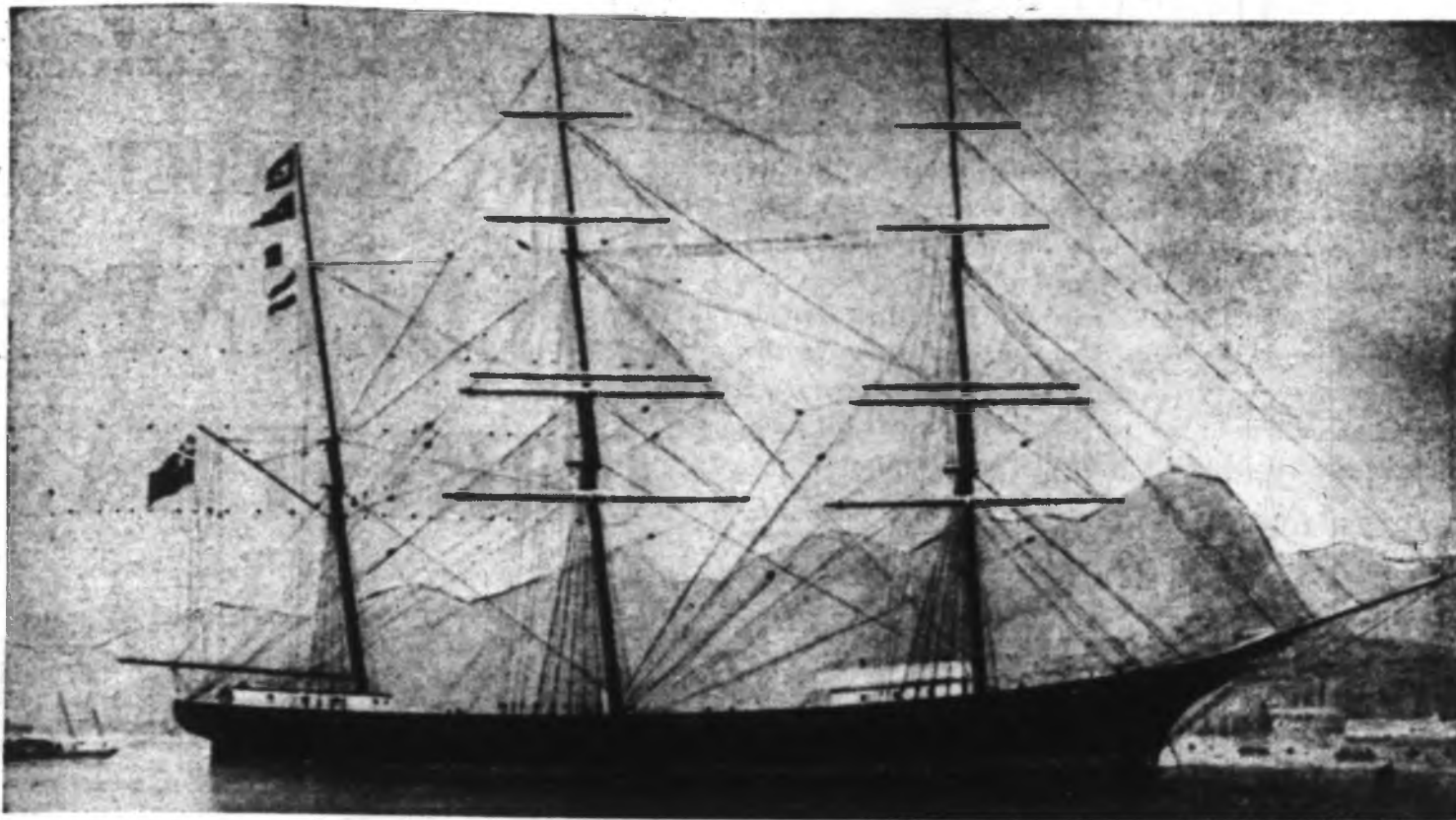
PICKIN' WRONG

TOO LATE, THE BECOMES AWAY HE HAS ATTACK NO DEFENSE JUNGLE FOWL



FIGHTING

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At Nanaimo this graceful ship was built.

—BILL BOUCHER photo.

HER PORTRAIT HANGS IN ESQUIMALT MUSEUM

One of the amusing experiences during a visit to Hong Kong is having a suit or a pair of shoes made to measure in 24 hours. The artisans of that Colony, for decades, have been turning out all sorts of things for people who can only spend a day or so there.

The Chinese marine artists of Hong Kong were active in this business during the latter half of the last century. It would be impossible to say how many ships

"sat for their portraits" in the shadow of The Peak. Every master worth his salt must have left the colony the proud possessor of a painting of his ship. These now adorn the walls of homes and museums throughout the world.

One of them hangs in the Pacific shipping room of the Maritime Museum of British Columbia in Esquimalt. It shows the barque Nanaimo in Hong Kong's beautiful harbor, the waters around her teeming with sampans and junks, a few steamships alongside the wharves of that other Victoria on the other side of the Pacific and

the slopes of the island rising behind her. The rather flat oils used by the Chinese give the painting that air of unreality which characterizes so many Chinese paintings.

The Nanaimo was a lovely vessel. She was built in Nanaimo, at the mouth of Millstone River in 1882. At the time of her launching she was the largest ship to have been built in this colony. Built of Douglas fir, she was a stout ship in more ways than one. Outer planking four inches thick, inner planking eight inches thick and framing 13 inches deep meant that a total of 25 inches of wood had to be fastened together! This was done by using trenails. These were rather like large dowels. They were driven through prepared holes and wedged at either end. What a job this must have been without power tools! Examples of the bits used to bore the holes may be seen in the Maritime Museum.

The Nanaimo was 155 feet in length over-all, with a beam of 34 feet and a draught of 15 feet laden.

Her registered tonnage was 450 tons and her port of registry was Victoria. She was designed to carry coal from the then thriving Nanaimo coal fields to the coal-laying stations in the Pacific. She could stow 800 tons. The vessel cost \$10,000!

The Nanaimo Free Press of November 2, 1882, reported the launching:

"Named the Nanaimo, by Mrs. Alice Parker, oldest daughter of Mr. C. Carpenter (owner of the vessel) when breaking a bottle of foaming wine on her bow, the vessel went down the 300 foot ways like a duck taking to water. A band was in attendance."

Her master at the time of the launch was Captain J. Dodd. He was still her master when the painting was done. Captain Dodd and the Nanaimo have both long since disappeared from the scene. So, too, have most of those who knew them. The ship and her master are now part of the maritime history of this coast.

—FIDELITER.

Walt Disney's True Life Adventures

PICKIN' ON THE WRONG CHICKEN.

TOO LATE, THE HAWK BECOMES AWARE THAT HE HAS ATTACKED NO DEFENSELESS JUNGLE FOWL.



HE HAS TANGLED WITH A FEATHERED FURY, THE MALAYAN COCK O' THE WOODS, THE WILD STOCK FROM WHICH FIGHTING BANTAM COCKS ARE BRED.

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Rare Canadians in Demand

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a block of four of the 5c blue, with o.g., \$560 (cat. \$120 as singles); a superb New Brunswick No. 1, the 3p red with o.g., \$525 (cat. \$200).

Antigua No. 1, horizontal pair unused, sold for \$150; and a superb 1873 6p blue green, \$85 (cat. \$60); Bahamas 1861 4p rose in block of six, \$1,350 (cat. \$1,200 plus). The 1863-67 1s green No. 15, unused, sold at \$200 (cat. \$175); the 1s deep rose of St. Vincent, No. 17, unused, \$280 (cat. \$275).

Prices for the Cape of Good Hope Triangles showed strong, steady demand: A used block of four of the dark green 1s brought

\$330 (cat. \$340); an unused pair of the 1s emerald of 1863-64, No. 15, \$250 (cat. \$230). The 4p red Woodblock error, used and repaired, sold at \$1,150, and the 1p blue Woodblock error, used and paper creased, \$1,250.

Included in the catalogue of an auction held by Harmer, Rook & Co. at their salesrooms, 560 Fifth Ave., N.Y., is a showpiece of the highest order, from the world-wide collection of Porfirio Congora of San Jose, Costa Rica, the first part of which was sold at the Dec. 14-13. This Canada 7½ pence is described by Gordon Harmer as "The finest copy we have even seen and probably the finest in existence."

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Sometimes Host, Sometimes Guest

Looking through my Northern Survey Diaries, Christmas appears to have been just another day. A few stand out, enlivened by incidents which at least were not dull. To the northern Indians, Christmas was "the little feast." New Year was the important one, as inherited from the Scottish and French when in the old days they gathered at the nearest missions. Here are some entries in my personal diary made on journeys at this season away from the base camp.

DEC. 25, 1906 . . .

(On a 'fly camp' trip with one horse-toboggan which had taken longer than I planned.) "60 below and the air full of falling frost. We made a big fire for our noon meal which consisted of hard rations . . . frozen bannock like blue whetstone and sow belly. Boys in good humor . . . one set up a Christmas tree with snowballs for decoration and bits of bannock for presents. Reached base camp that night."

DEC. 25, 1911 . . .

(I had had to make a journey from McMurray to Edmonton. Had hired a native with his dogs. After one day he quit. I bought his dogs and learned dog driving the hard way. When returning, I planned to travel down Athabasca River as far as it would take me and then cross-country to the base line. At Athabasca Landing I hired Baptise, a half-breed, with his dogs to assist with the load and breaking trail. For more than 100 miles we had a good trail made by natives gathering for the "feast" at the Athabasca Landing Mission. This brought us to the last Indian cabin near the head of Grand Rapids. We secured dog feed and the bad news that there was no broken trail beyond. There was talk in Cree that I could not follow.

Christmas Eve we crossed the piled up flows at the head of the rapids, and made camp in a clump of spruce. It was mild with a lowering sky. We slept in the open beside our fire. Instead of church bells we heard the hunting cry of wolves, not far away.)

'Me, I Return'

"Christmas morning . . . I woke to find my sleeping bag covered with several inches of wet snow. I had taken kindling to bed with me and soon had leaping flames brightening the dull pre-dawn, boiling the kettle and frying moose meat. A morose Baptise joined me. After breakfast, instead of preparing for the trail, he announced: 'No trail, bad ice, little dog food. Me, I return.' Nothing would induce him to change his mind. He was thinking less of the troubles ahead than of the feasting behind.

"I had a difficult day breaking trail and finding my way past the rapids, then climbing the 600-foot hill out of the valley but I found a good camping place and a fine

log fire brought its cheer and my dogs gave their companionship.

"Tomorrow we should reach the base camp."

DEC. 25, 1913 . . .

(Summer had been bad with heavy rain-flooded streams and muskegs and swamps almost impassable. Winter brought relief. The pack train had been sent out and we were using two sleighs for transport. Supplies were low and the men were away to pick up essentials from a distant cache. The cook advised me that if they did not arrive he had no flour for Christmas. I went back to meet the freighters and found them camped ten miles away, claiming that the horses were played out but that they would reach camp tomorrow. Dusk was settling when I set out on my return with a 30-pound sack of flour.)

A Little Thing

"The cook excelled himself preparing the Christmas dinner from his limited materials. The sack of flour helped. I had had bright moonlight for my return journey, producing a Christmas scene with the snow-laden spruce but also shadows in which the trail was difficult to follow with its pitfalls where that flour sack did not help. I kept reminding myself . . . This is one of the little things that matter."

"In the end it was a merry Christmas."

DEC. 25, 1928 . . .

(I had left our winter quarters, Tavani, on the west coast of Hudson Bay, in the sub-Arctic Barren Grounds, with Katchuyuk, traveling with dogs to the caribou cache. The journey had taken longer than we had planned. There was little daylight but the full moon gave more light than the glimpse of the feeble sun. We could not reach our base for Christmas Eve. Katchuyuk said his uncle Porik had an igloo where we could spend the night. How he found it, a small white dot in the bleak white plain, I do not know; but he did and we were welcomed into this large igloo, already crowded with Porik's sons and daughters and their children, 25 people.

Feast for All

Our caribou provided a feast for all and we were able to squeeze onto the sleeping bench. By the flickering light of the seal lamp as it died away, the scene was a strange one of life in the 20th century but the igloo provided shelter and moderate comfort. Outside,

was GUY BLANCHET for WILDERNESS CHRISTMAS



Some of the guests for Tavani Christmas.

the December moon shone brightly on the sub-Arctic plain and on our little house built of storm-packed snow.)

"We reached Tavani next morning. Macgregor and the boys prepared a feast for our Eskimo neighbors of the igloo village, 20 men, women and children. They arrived in party furs, cheerful and friendly as always. However, presently the excessive heat of our stoves drove them back to their comfortable igloos."

DEC. 25, 1936 . . .

(I was travelling with my native boy in the interior mountains of Fiji. The tropical sun blazed down and had dried up the mountain streams. We made camp by a luke-warm stream in the valley. Too much sun and drinking too much water had upset my stomach. We reached the village of Numbutautau (where the cannibals had made their last stand) and were "warmly" welcomed. We had to visit each family in their little grass huts and at each we were served kava and food, taro, yams, breadfruit . . . Then came the feast.)

Fiji Hospitality

"The men gathered in the Buli's house where a long mat had been spread. Hunters had killed a pig which had been cooked as in the old days. A pit is dug and lined with stones and the animal (in other times a human who was to supply the feast) was dismembered and wrapped in banana leaves, placed on the heated stones and covered with earth. In due time these were removed (perfectly cooked) and served, a packet

to each guest. I, being the guest of honor, received what was considered the choicest . . . when I opened it up, the pig's head was revealed au naturel . . . eyes, ears and leering mouth.

Custom required that one eats all that is placed before him (in appreciation of the hospitality of his host). This was a most interesting experience of life with these ex-cannibals but it required several weeks to recover from the effects of sun, water and pig."

DEC. 25, 1939 . . .

Army Christmas.

DEC. 25, 1942 . . .

Engaged on a war project locating a pipeline from Norman Wells on the Lower Mackenzie to Whitehorse in Yukon and Alaska. To find a location through the Mackenzie Mountains, I had travelled with dogs and Indian guides across the Continental divide to our half-way point at Sheldon Lake, 300 miles. A plane was to pick me up there Dec. 1. I stayed with Fred McLennan, a trapper-trader, in his log cabin. We listened during the short days but nothing broke the frozen silence.

Wrong Bottle

"Christmas, 70 below zero, daylight at 10 o'clock. We took turns cutting wood . . . 15 minutes was as long as one could endure the cold. Our Yukon heater produced a genial warmth. For our Christmas feast Fred produced a bottle of blueberry wine that he had made in the autumn and preserved for special occasions. We lifted our glasses for a toast. After a

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Fred examined it some mark he had made.

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The winter climate ideal for spooks, since of grey mists that m Christmas thrive.

Many old English h their legends and Chr Cumnor Hall near Oxford known.

Before Cumnor Hal ghost of Amy Robsart each Christmas for alms.

Amy was the wife o of Leicester. She marri was only 17 years old, husband. He was a fa and spent all his time a to live alone at Cumnor

It soon became rum that Elizabeth and Leice ried. This, of course, the earl was already ma

No one knew how i after Amy was found de great staircase at the Hi

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But Leicester had not The following Christmas peared near the staircase and she returned every tragically and accusingly in the Hall.

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Without warning, the wife loomed before him laugh his phantom wif would be dead within 10

A week later it was that Robert Dudley, Earl

Amy continued to hau Christmas until the how 1810. Her spirit then m home at Syderstone Hall this day, so it is said.

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He searched his dug-out cellar and returned with a new bottle. I let him try it first. He smiled with satisfaction . . . it was excellent . . . we completed our toast.

"In our relaxation under the influence of the wine and the genial atmosphere created by the Yukon heater, early darkness settled on us. Fred suddenly broke off his reminiscences of Christmas in the trenches with a Highland regi-

ment to exclaim, "The radio broadcast to the North of Christmas messages is on."

"We tuned in to a station far in the south which made a feature of this program. A voice came through transmitting messages to Arctic outposts, from Greenland to Alaska . . . trivial, perhaps but eagerly welcomed by people who seldom received mail. It might be "Mary has a baby . . . an Arctic version of the story of that first Christmas when the Wise Men of the East brought their gifts to the Christ child. I thought that regardless of where one might be such little things brought home the fact that this was not just another day . . . it was CHRISTMAS."



GUY had his dogs for company.

Scrooge Ghosts Don't Walk Alone

The ghosts that haunted Scrooge in Dicken's famous Christmas Carol were only meek apparitions compared to some of the phantoms that stalk the shadows at Christmas in our own day.

By BERNARD THORNE

The winter climate of Britain must be ideal for spooks, since it is on that island of grey mists that most of the ghosts of Christmas thrive.

Many old English halls and castles have their legends and Christmas phantoms, and Cumnor Hall near Oxford was among the best known.

Before Cumnor Hall was destroyed, the ghost of Amy Robsart walked the grounds each Christmas for almost 250 years.

Amy was the wife of Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester. She married Leicester when she was only 17 years old, but saw little of her husband. He was a favorite of Elizabeth I and spent all his time at Court, leaving Amy to live alone at Cumnor Hall.

It soon became rumored in Court circles that Elizabeth and Leicester wanted to be married. This, of course, was impossible, since the earl was already married to Amy.

No one knew how it happened, but soon after Amy was found dead at the foot of the great staircase at the Hall.

Accusing Stare

But Leicester had not seen the last of Amy. The following Christmas her pale shape appeared near the staircase where she had died, and she returned every Christmas, to stare tragically and accusingly at all who still lived in the Hall.

After the victory over the Spanish Armada, Leicester one day was returning home through Wychwood Forest, tired and sick after battle.

Without warning, the spectral shape of his wife loomed before him, and with a great laugh his phantom wife predicted that he would be dead within 10 days.

A week later it was announced at Court that Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester, had died.

Amy continued to haunt Cumnor Hall every Christmas until the house was demolished in 1810. Her spirit then moved to her parents' home at Syderstone Hall, where she walks to this day, so it is said.

Seeks Vengeance

Well known for its ghosts is Britain's Glamis Castle, where the Queen Mother spent her childhood and Princess Margaret was born. Most famous of the Glamis ghosts is Janet, Lady Glamis, wife of the sixth earl.

Tried and convicted of plotting the death of James V, Lady Glamis was burned at the stake as a witch. Each Christmas she returns to float silently down the moonlit corridor, seeking vengeance on her accusers.

Cortachy Castle in Scotland is haunted by the ghost of a drummer boy who kept secret trysts with the beautiful Countess of Airlie

three centuries ago. Their romance was discovered by the earl, who promptly had the boy sealed in his own drum and flung from the castle turret. Today, as Christmas Day approaches, the hollow beats of a ghostly drum echo through the stone corridors.

Phantom Funeral

The estate of Lyme Park in England is known for an unusual Christmas apparition.

In 1422 Sir Piers Legh, owner of Lyme Park, was killed in Paris. His body was brought back and buried in the family vault. At Christmastime a phantom funeral has often been seen slowly ascending the hill to the vault.

Behind this grey procession walks a spectral figure in white. It is the shadow of Blanche, a woman who loved Sir Piers and who fell dead with grief when she learned of his death.

No Sanctuary

Witches are normally associated with Halloween, but at Buxted there is a witch that haunts the neighborhood of Tucks Wood only at Christmas.

It is said a young and beautiful girl named Nan Tuck was labelled a witch by superstitious villagers. Ugly rumors about Nan were spread throughout the country, until one day the villagers gathered into a mob, determined to drown Nan in the stream below a mill as punishment for her witchery.

The frightened girl fled to Buxted Church for sanctuary, with the mob howling at her heels. She reached the church door safely,



"If you'd just keep your big mouth shut the music might enfold us in its magic."

but was kept out by the parson, who shouted he would not protect a witch in his church.

Terrified, she fled into the gloom of Tucks Wood. To escape the bloodthirsty villagers, she hanged herself from a tree.

The angry villagers found her body, tore it down from the tree, hauled it roughly back to the village, and buried it without ceremony or regret on unconsecrated ground outside the churchyard. Near her grave they put up a stone with a strange feathery design, intended to depict the wings that the devil had given to that terrible witch, the young Nan Tuck.

Today there are villagers who swear they have seen the ghost of Nan Tuck groping with outstretched hands through the gloomy woods, her eyes wide with terror, her face white and afraid. And there are those who tell of a swollen ridge around her neck where the rope cut deep into her flesh.

Fear Remains

Few inhabitants dare to enter those woods at night, particularly on Christmas Eve, when it is known that Nan Tuck walks in the shadows of the trees, crying to heaven for help from the mob.

Canada has its share of ghosts, but there is no well-known one directly associated with Christmas.

However, North America has one particularly famous Christmas spectre to boast of—the phantom ship of the Florida Everglades.

Eyewitnesses describe the ship as a mass of ragged sails and decayed timber, drifting slowly through the misty mangrove swamps of the Everglades. A luminous blue light is said to flicker through the rotting ribs of the vessel as the phantom pirates act out over and over again the evil deed that brought them and their ship to this doom.

Cry for Vengeance

The ship was originally a pirate vessel, one of many that infested the Caribbean and the Florida Keys. The pirates one day attacked a merchantman, looting it and mercilessly putting its crew to death.

One of the victims, with his dying breath, called upon Heaven for vengeance.

Vengeance came with terrifying promptness. That night an enormous ocean wave bore down on the pirates. The ship was hurled into the air and flung miles inland, falling as a broken hulk into the stagnant waters of the swamp.

And there, each Christmas, the wrecked pirate ship appears, its decks scattered with the bodies of its victims—and the eerie swamp-land grows hushed, as the pirates lift their arms to the sky and groan and moan for mercy.

Latin America Dilemma

POLITICAL CAULDRON AT BOILING POINT

REVIEWED BY JOHN BARKHAM

Latin America seems to be moving backward politically and economically. Four dictators have ousted actual or incipient democracies this year, and the hemisphere's rate of economic advance has slowed to a crawl or is actually stagnant in some countries.

And what of the Alliance for Progress, so bravely launched three years ago to correct precisely this situation? It is in deep trouble, too. To put it gently, the Alliance is not fulfilling its promise. It professes to have a cure for the patient's ills, but the cure is painful. The patient, while anxious to be cured, is unwilling to suffer pain.

This, in a nutshell, is the dilemma discussed by Tad Szulc, the New York Times' able Latin American correspondent, in his new book. It was written, of course, long before the recent Alliance conference in Brazil, but the bleak results there disclosed are amply foreshadowed in these pages. Szulc is under no illusions about the Sisyphean task confronting the Alliance.

"The solution to Latin America's

ills," he sums up in one striking passage, "lies in the task, without parallel in human history, of building, almost from scratch, in forbidding surroundings and mostly in a tropical climate, an economic edifice and a whole new human society. It is an undertaking far exceeding the Marshall Plan."

Szulc supports this self-evident assertion with some startling statistics. In Northeast Brazil, for example, there are villages where for long periods at a time not a single infant has lived over the age of one. Only a quarter of Colombia's urban population has potable water. Half of Mexico's population has no regular water supply.

In education the situation is no less frightening. Half of Brazil's population is illiterate. In Haiti only one person in ten can read and write. It is no accident, Szulc

THE WINDS OF REVOLUTION, by Tad Szulc. New York: Frederick A. Praeger, Inc. 308 pp. \$5.95.

notes, that the most shameful educational neglect is in dictator-ridden countries. In oil-rich Venezuela, for instance, deposed dictator Perez Jimenez left a third of his country's people illiterate. President Betancourt's government, taking over reduced revenues and high debt payments, nevertheless put 80 per cent of Venezuela's children into schools within two years. And in all these countries, it might be added, large standing armies remain on the payroll.

Confronted with the disgruntled complaints of Latin American governments, the American taxpayer might thus be excused for wanting to wash his hands of the whole affair. But this would be short-sighted—for Americans as well as for the Latins. Waiting in the wings for precisely such an eventuality is Uncle Nikita.

"What Moscow seeks in practice is the mobilization of political and



TAD SZULC

public opinion in the Latin American republics in favor of close relations with the Soviet bloc," reports Szulc, "coupled with the kind of political and economic 'independence' that would cut or loosen the hemisphere's ties with the U.S. This would lead to neutralism and subsequently to pro-Communist policies."

Khrushchev believes that such situations would produce peasant-proletarian revolutions on a wide scale. In other words, anti-Yankee nationalism would be the road to a Communist take-over south of the Rio Grande. So you see why Szulc resists the temptation to urge that the Latin Americans be allowed to stew in their own juice. Americans have no choice, he suggests, but to continue helping the nations of South America to make "the material break-through into the twentieth century." Above all, Americans must not judge these nations by their attitudes to Castro or to U.S. investments.

This is a sober, balanced report, carefully researched, solidly documented, and cogently reasoned.

Two Nice Ladies Head Crime Club

So many of the great names in literary crime are feminine (e.g. Agatha Christie, Dorothy Sayers, Josephine Tey, Margery Allingham, Dorothy Miles Disney, Mignon Eberhart, etc.) that it did not in the least surprise me to learn that the moving spirits behind Doubleday's 35-year-old Crime Club were two ladies. I found them to be an amiable, even benevolent pair who have functioned smoothly as a team for at least a decade. Their years of grappling with crime and punishment have neither dulled their taste for literary gore nor soured their own equable dispositions.

The older of the pair is Mrs. Leslie Taylor, editor of the Crime Club, who has been with it for the past quarter century. Younger, and a more recent recruit, is her colleague, Miss Marcia Magill. Between them they choose and mastermind the publication of three Crime Club books a month—books for which a loyal and devoted audience is always waiting.

If this monthly output doesn't sound like the achievement it is, let me put it more statistically. As of the end of June, 1963, the Crime Club in its 35 years of existence had published 1,533 titles by some 350 authors. This, be it noted, represents less than 10 per cent of the manuscripts submitted. Mrs. Taylor estimates that she herself has read approximately 100 books a year for the past 25 years, four-fifths of them never published.

"When I first began at the club," she told me, "60 per cent of our titles were from England. Today half are American, 40 per cent

English, and the rest from various other countries. Our readers like a change of scene once in awhile, and we try to give it to them. In November, for example, we bring out the first American edition of an ace French mystery writer named Sebastian Japrisot. And in December we have a mystery by a Hungarian set in the Hungarian revolt of 1956, believe it or not. 'Boney,' Arthur Upfield's Australian sleuth, is still one of our top favorites."

The old regulars, of course, are unaffected by the passage of time. Wars may ravage the earth, empires may fall, the bomb may cast its shadow over the face of mankind, but sleuths like Margery Allingham's Albert Campion and Leslie Charteris' "Saint" seemingly go on forever.

Yet tastes and trends in mysteries do change. Mrs. Taylor admitted. "When I came to the Crime Club 25 years ago Dashiell Hammett and the hard-boiled mystery were very big. Ten years later it

was the psychological mystery, in which the motivation changed from things to people. It no longer mattered how the cash was gotten, but rather the family jealousies or romantic triangles which prompted the crime. Then came the procedural mysteries, in which the reader followed the sheriff or the insurance claims adjuster or the postal inspector through the details of his investigations."

At which point it is pertinent to draw attention to the care which the ladies devote to their own procedural inspections of manuscripts. "We expect authors to be absolutely correct in their factual procedures," Miss Magill explained. "For instance, there must be no execution in an electric chair in states which don't use electric chairs."

Had they ever goofed? "Yes, once. In one of our mysteries a woman went in to see a man in the condemned cell. She entered wearing a green dress and came out wearing a blue suit. At least eight editors passed the error, but did our readers catch it. Wow!"

Had the mystery lost ground to science fiction or westerns? Very little. A good mystery remains as popular as ever. As a rule people who read mysteries don't read westerns, and vice versa. Yet I'm afraid the status of the mystery isn't as good as it used to be. People seem to want to apologize for reading them. I can't think why—after all, President Kennedy

read Ian Fleming and Mrs. Bess Truman has read mysteries for years.

"What about the great sleuths of yesteryear, like Sherlock Holmes?" I asked. "Do they have comparable counterparts today?"

Miss Magill sniffed audibly. "Sherlock Holmes didn't have much variety. He's a kind of paper doll." (I winced.) "Today's detectives are far more human, and the reader can identify with them. That element of reader-identification is very important."

Mrs. Taylor chimed in: "I'm all for variety. If you stick too closely to formula, you become stereotyped."

Then the mystery was still a healthy literary form? "Never healthier. As long as readers are interested in well-made stories in which right triumphs and the guilty are punished, mysteries will always be read. Remember that the governments of Hitler and Mussolini proscribed them as dangerous."

On which encouraging note I took my leave of the ladies who preside over the fortunes of the Crime Club.—J.B.

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- (2) ROMANTIC
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African Anachronism

IONIDES, the Snake Catcher

Ionides is not, as you might suppose, some new antiseptic or chemical particle, but the name of a bizarre Briton living alone in the wilds of Africa. It sounds Greek because he is of Greek descent, though impeccably British. Ionides may also be used as a synonym for snakes, since this elderly gentleman is probably the world's foremost herpetologist. He lives an isolated bachelor existence on the Makonde Plateau of Tanganyika, catching deadly snakes for shipment to zoos and museums throughout the world.

This book about him by Margaret Lane is a fine, full-bodied portrait of a vanishing breed—a latter-day Thoreau who hates civilization and prefers wild creatures to men. Ionides is a crusty, hot-tempered ex-game warden whose feats as a snake-catcher have made his name a legend throughout East Africa. He uses a minimum of mechanical equipment (if he could, he'd do it all with his hands) and spares the snakes unnecessary suffering.

By JOHN BARKHAM

The author came out to watch him at work, and in the process learned how to handle snakes herself. Ever wonder how a wild snake feels to the touch? "The feeling is quite unlike one's expectation, the first touch conveying surprised pleasure, since the body is smooth and warm and urgently alive, so that contact with one's palm is reassuring."

She witnessed a mamba in a tree

kill a bird in flight, a rare spectacle indeed. Green mambos, deadly as they are, are yet beautiful, as you may see from the brilliant color photographs in the book. One striking shot has caught a mamba in the act of making a rope-bridge of itself while passing through the air from one tree to another.

Ionides pays small sums to Africans for reporting on snakes' whereabouts, to which, because of a lame leg, he is transported by

LIFE WITH IONIDES, by Margaret Lane. New York: Viking Press. 180 pages, \$5.

bearers in a one-wheeled bush-cart. Miss Lane describes in detail his marvellously efficient methods of trapping reptiles, with different approaches for each species. Living dangerously as he does, Ionides has no fear of death. Indeed, he would much prefer a sudden end to decrepit old age.

Miss Lane had plenty of time to talk to this singular old man, and developed a healthy respect, even admiration, for his practical nonconformity.

This did not blind her, however, to the feudal character of his thinking or the violence of his temper. In his younger days, she tells us, Ionides once had the entire adult male population of a village flogged for refusing to serve as his bearers. Another time he knocked five teeth out of a village headman's jaw for a similar "offense."

Ionides is, in fact, a vestigial remnant of the time when the white man was king of all he surveyed in Africa. He has found it difficult to adjust to the new social order in an Africa he has known all his life, and hence prefers the company of snakes to that of men. Snakes, after all, have not changed.

NEW BOOKS and AUTHORS

HERMAN BULLER GOES CRUSADING

"Prosperity to Messrs. Andres Laur and Herman Buller."

"For a very fine contribution to Canadian life and letters," as William McGonagall might say.

First let's take Andres Laur, the publisher of *One Man Alone*, and the man behind the Canada National Book Club, Canadiana, and its mottoes: "Fame for Canadian culture," "Honor and money for Canadian authors," "Jobs for Canadian workers." Who could object to this? (Or is there someone in the audience in favor of sin?) To repay his debt to Canada, Mr. Laur decided to start this book club, with the intention of publishing a novel every two months to begin with. A contest resulted in three third prizes being awarded (\$500 each), and Mr. Buller's book is the first of the three to be published.

The refusal of a first prize to *One Man Alone* indicates that the judges' standards are high—and let's face it, not many would be willing to give a first prize if it automatically carries a \$1,500 reward. (The next phase of the competition is now open; manuscripts to be received by March 1, 1964).

Buller recaptures, in his main character, Morrie Cohen, all the rebellion, energy and frustration

ONE MAN ALONE, by Herman Buller (Canada National Book Club), \$4.50 (\$3.00 to members).

of the twenty-year-old. Morrie, a Montreal Jew, has lots to rebel against: Not only anti-semitism and the French-English tangle, but also the tensions between Catholicism and liberalism, labor and capital, Canadian and U.S. finance. All the tensions are heightened by the corruption of the provincial government under Le Chef.

That's a lot to get into a novel, and consequently the form suffers, although humor aids digestion. With the humor goes bitterness, but a bitterness tempered by love and understanding. Mr. Buller rails against conditions, not against people, and his understanding of the roots of deceit and hypocrisy softens his attack on them. Morality has little place in a corrupt society, except in strengthening a man so that he can stand against corruption.

The strongest attacks in the novel are on the big American financial interests and the originators of corruption in the belle province. For the little man who climbs on the money wagon to survive, the author has contempt but understanding. They are the weak who cannot stand alone.

Nicol's Worth of Nonsense . . . and a Sip of Beerbohm

If there were a Canadian edition of *Mad* magazine Eric Nicol would be its editor. As it is, he is simply our wandering Canadian jokester, cropping up in newspaper columns and books, sometimes with a pregnant wife in France (a really hilarious incident, which he officially recorded), sometimes rewriting the American constitution (his last book), and even giving us (herewith) the run-down on Russia without actually going there.

Nicol doesn't only rely on puns, as some of his rival columnists claim; he invents them. For instance, Rasputin was shot and then thrown into the Neva, but his body was recovered by the peasants so they could burn it, and say, "Better lit than Neva." And there was that British MP who, after the Crimean War had dragged on, stood up in the House of Commons and said, "Crimea does not pay."

Faced with this, you can expect anything; for example, this chapter on architecture, which is printed in its entirety:

"All modern Russian buildings appear to have been designed by an architect who apprenticed with the birthday-cake department at Kresge's. The University of Moscow looks delicious."

Max Beerbohm was a stylish essayist, so stylish he managed to get buried in St. Paul's Cathedral. He also wrote an occasional novel, some verse, but mainly sunned himself in Italy.

His verse isn't in the anthologies, probably because much of it (which isn't much) hasn't been published before. Now it is together, two things are proved. Max was a good three-line man, usually the first three lines. And a lot of Max's humor isn't very funny today.

To prove the first point I give you the opening of the poem, Frau Krupp's "little dears."

Once, standing on a peak in
Darren,
I watched the bombs falling

RUSSIA, ANYONE? by Eric Nicol and Peter Whalley; Ryerson; \$2.95.

MAX IN VERSE, rhymes and parodies by Max Beerbohm; Stephen Green Press, Brattleboro, Vermont; \$4.50.

Like morning dew
Freshly, alike on Gentile and
on Jew.

Or, the start to the Ballade of an illustrious Freshman:

The University of Oxford halls
In awe not quite this side of
Idolatry

His Royal Highness, Edward,
Prince of Wales.

Sometimes you don't even get three lines. But if there are only two they can be very funny, as in "Max's copy of Housman's *A Shropshire Lad*:"

And now, lad, all is over
Twixt you, your love, and the
clover.

Of course, Max was always poking fun at royalty, social customs and his contemporaries. Here he is at his best:

Elegy on Any Lady
by
George Moore

That she adored me as the
most

Adorable of males,
I think I may securely boast.

Dead women tell no tales.

But his longer works, written 50 years ago, are today a bit thin. I fear Mr. Nicol's work will get a similar assessment in 2113 A.D.

Royal Christmas At Sandringham

The most welcome gift that the Queen and her family receive at Christmas is privacy.

QUEEN WILL SPEAK TO HER PEOPLE

Royal Christmases are traditionally spent at Sandringham, a village near England's East Coast, far from London and the ever present demands of public life.

Sandringham House is perhaps the Queen's favorite, among her residences, since it is probably the only place where she and her family can relax and forget for a while the arduous role of royalty.

Sandringham, unlike the other royal residences, is the personal property of the Queen, an added attraction since she must sometimes feel like an eternal guest in England's many palaces of state. It has no particular historical importance attached to it, and it is free from the unhappy legends of past history that haunt many of the Queen's other homes.

Although Sandringham was the scene of the death of Elizabeth's father and grandfather, King George VI and King George V, it is nonetheless steeped in other more happy memories of the Queen's own childhood Christmases.

Christmas is perhaps the only occasion, apart from formal affairs of state, when Britain's royalty get together as a family and share in the festivities that an average Canadian family takes for granted.

Prince Charles and Princess Ann return from their boarding schools to join their young brother Andrew, who is now at an age when he can appreciate the Yuletide spirit.

What does a little prince, second in line to England's throne, get for Christmas? His weight in jewels or a stable of Arabian stallions? Among Andrew's gifts last Christmas was a toy duck that quacks, a present from Princess Ann, who knows what small boys, even royal ones, like to play with.



Andrew's little cousin, Viscount Linley, may also spend the holiday at Sandringham with Princess Margaret and Lord Snowdon. And the Queen Mother is a regular member of the royal circle at Christmas.

She perhaps thinks back to the days when her daughters, as children, staged elaborate Christmas pantomimes for the amusement of guests. It is doubtful that Britain's tomboy Princess Ann shares her

mother's taste for such amusements. She and her elder brother probably prefer riding around the Sandringham estate with Prince Philip to dressing up in hooped skirts and powdered wigs.

As "squire of Sandringham," the

residents of Sandringham regard Elizabeth.

Each Christmas she and her family attend services in the local church and mix freely with the villagers, safe from the stares and flash-bulb popping that greet them in any other part of Great Britain.

In the tradition of a country squire, the Queen awards prizes at the local grammar school and attends charity functions to help the needy at Christmas.

One of the biggest and happiest festivities of the Christmas season is the tenants' ball, a party for all the villagers living on the Sandringham estate. The ball is held in the magnificent ballroom of the palace and is highlighted by a huge Christmas tree which is loaded with gifts for everyone.

But even at this time of the year, Queen Elizabeth cannot entirely forget that she is Queen of Great Britain and head of the Commonwealth. State papers demanding her attention and signature arrive daily from London, and these must be dealt with, regardless of the festive season.

But the most important official function of Christmas, and probably the one which taxes the Queen most heavily, is the Christmas message, which is broadcast from Sandringham house to every country in the Commonwealth.

Since a few years ago, when it was decided to televise the Queen's greeting so that her subjects might see as well as hear their sovereign, Sandringham has been invaded by arc lights and cameras, in addition to the large staff of technicians required to see that the message goes on the air without a hitch.

For the first time, Canadians have been able to glimpse into this royal home where the Queen and her family celebrate Christmas. And despite the elegant trappings, Christmas with the Mountbattens in Sandringham is not too different from Christmas anywhere in Canada or the Commonwealth.

By Mary Jane Carter

Queen comes as close to living as a private citizen as it is possible for a monarch to come. "Squire" is a term used by the tenants of an English estate to refer to its owner, and it is as such that the

SOLDIER, WRITER, WORLD TRAVELLER

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"He drove a chariot."

"But what's a chariot?"

Which was too much for the lady's companion, who broke in with, "Oh, don't be silly, dear! Mean to say you never saw that movie, Ben Hur?"

In Turkey, too, there was an episode which was funny afterwards, though definitely not at the time. Travelling on a freighter from Trieste to the various primitive little Turkish ports on the south coast of the Black Sea, Mr. Swannell was much upset one day to be told by the chief steward that a Turk was to be put into his cabin at the next port. As he had

paid for the space for himself, the occupant protested firmly. The steward tried bullying. When this didn't work he threatened to shift his passenger into an inferior cabin already native-occupied.

Determined not to be railroaded, the traveller stormed ashore in a fury, hunted up an interpreter—Turkish not being one of his languages—and appealed to the head of the shipping office. After much vociferous discussion the company decided that Mr. Swannell was well within his rights, and to soothe him they gave him a much better cabin—the pilot's—for the rest of the voyage. Not only that, but from then on the steward, who

had evidently been in cahoots with someone in the shipping office to sell extra fares and pocket the money, and was terrified that these shenanigans would be discovered, treated his passenger "as if he were royalty!"

But the interpreter had done well by his client, and had informed the shipping office, it was later learned, that this was "a noble and distinguished gentleman, badly wounded in the war, and entitled to every consideration!"

And though the gentleman himself still chuckles over the memory, and his eyes twinkle as he recalls his own rage at the time, I have it on good authority that his friends have no quarrel with the Turkish interpreter's assessment.